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Leader honored by UIA

ANTWERP —

Phil Granovsky of Toronto, chairman of the world board of trustees of United Israel Appeal-Keren Hayesod and former national president, UIA Canada, was one of four recipients to receive an Israel Goldstein prize of the UIA-Keren Hayesod in Antwerp, earlier this month.

Active in all areas of the Jewish community, Granovsky was previously president of Toronto's United Jewish Welfare Fund and co-chairman and founder of Canada's National Budgeting Conference. He served also as UJA chairman in Toronto.

The Israel Goldstein prizes were established in 1976 in honor of the 80th birthday of Dr. Goldstein, who served as world chairman of the UIA-Keren Hayesod from 1961-1971. Their presentation marked the 60th anniversary of the UIA.

'HOLOCAUST' SEDER

This is the dramatic seder scene from NBC TV's series, "Holocaust," which appeared again on television this year.

Felder calls on retailers to go easy on food prices

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —

Rabbi Gedalia Felder last week urged food suppliers, wholesale and retail, not to overcharge on Passover items. The chairman of the Rabbinical Vaad Hakashruth of Congress made this plea in response to the complaints about high prices flooding the Vaad's office.

"The cost of Passover food is only marginally higher than that of regular kosher food," Rabbi Felder told The Canadian Jewish News. "In fact, some of the large processors absorb the difference, putting it down to promotion. They hope to keep year-round some of the customers who try their foods only at Passover."

Felder said that for several years now, the federal government has waived import duties on Passover foods not produced in Canada, such as matzot. Ottawa has also obviated the need for bilingual labels on these products.

"One item the government does not allow to be imported is margarine, with one exception — we are allowed to bring in about 10,000 lbs. of kosher le Pesach margarine for the holiday," he said.

"According to Halacha," said Felder, "a person is forbidden to overcharge on food products and take advantage in times of need. Those who do so are deemed 'robbers'."

Rabbi Felder told The CJN that from the time of King David, about 3,000 years ago, the control of food prices at Passover was in the hands of the official leadership, passing from special courts to rabbinic supervision. According to the code of Jewish law, the Beth Din was charged with the task of appointing inspectors to monitor the price of foods.

"Wherever the Jewish leadership had the power, communities controlled food prices in Europe until the advent of World War II," he said.

"It is the duty of merchants not to take advantage," Rabbi Felder emphasized. Referring to a section of Psalm 10, which urges that "the hand of evil" be broken, Felder said the Talmud interprets the hand of evil as that of the "gouging merchant."

Rabbi Gedalia Felder

Autonomy talks falter

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The news that President Jimmy Carter will confer separately with the leaders of Israel and Egypt next month in Washington must be seen in the context of the faltering autonomy talks on the Palestinians, Israel's settlement policy and Egypt's implied threat to slow down the process of normalization.

Clearly, the negotiations on autonomy are so bogged down that they are in real danger of collapsing. Unless something approaching a diplomatic miracle occurs, the parties — Israel, Egypt and the U.S. — will fail to meet the May 26 target date for completing the discussions.

Deadlines are not necessarily sacrosanct, but the failure by the negotiators to meet this particular one would be symptomatic of a deeper malaise. It would me..., barring extraordinary changes in position by Israel and Egypt, that Menachem Begin and Anwar Sadat cannot reconcile their views on the future of the Palestinians in the occupied territories and the disposition of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Such an impasse — which has been apparent for many months now — would embarrass Sadat and thereby endanger the basic foundation of the Camp David accords, upon which the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty is built.

If Sadat, as he has promised, cannot deliver an agreement that would set the stage for a comprehensive accord between Israel and the Arabs, his regime would be subject to even greater stress than has been the case until today. Furthermore, the hand of Arab rejectionists would be strengthened. How the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty would fare under such dire circumstances is anyone's guess. But the likelihood is that it could become a victim of the Palestinian imbroglio.

The break-off in Israeli-Egyptian trade talks last week offered an insight into this developing scenario. When Sadat was asked about the prospects for joint economic projects with Israel, he said they would have to wait until an overall settlement is achieved. In other words, they could not proceed without a solution to the Palestinian problem — the core of the Arab-Israeli dispute.

According to observers, recent announcements by Israel to consolidate its hold over the West Bank have exacerbated the tension and uncertainty, and widened the rift in U.S.-Israeli relations.

In mid-March, Israel disclosed it had expropriated 1,000 acres of largely Arab-owned land on the outskirts of Jerusalem, prompting criticism by Washington and a subsequent statement by Secretary of State Cyrus Vance that the U.S. might support a UN resolution later this year condemning Israel's settlement policy.

In an 8-6 cabinet vote last Sunday, Israel revealed that a yeshiva and a field school would be set up in a complex of ruined buildings in Hebron where Jews lived more than 50 years ago. The decision, opposed by several ministers, was taken on the day Sol Linowitz, the U.S. autonomy negotiator, arrived in Jerusalem. The timing was hardly exquisite.

In the weeks to follow, Linowitz will be faced by awesome obstacles, as he grapples with the seemingly insoluble problems posed by the autonomy scheme. Essentially, Egypt wants autonomy to lead to de facto Palestinian independence. Only then, as the Egyptians view it, can they justify to the Arab world their rapprochement with Israel. Contrary to some opinion, Sadat is probably not interested in solely a bilateral agreement with Jerusalem.

CJC plenary to premiere film on Canadian Jewry

TORONTO —

Delegates to the upcoming plenary assembly of Canadian Jewish Congress will see the premiere of a documentary film on Canadian Jewry dedicated to the late Saul Hayes, who played a major role in its production.

The 40-minute movie will have its first showing at the opening luncheon of the plenary assembly of Congress at the Harbour Castle Hilton Hotel in Toronto. The plenary is scheduled for May 1-4.

Hayes, who served Congress as its professional head for 32 years until his retirement in 1974, died in January. "He was the moving force behind this film, and that's why it has been dedicated to his memory," said Stan Urman, CJC assistant national director.

Hayes had been working closely with Avantage Productions of Montreal since last year, both behind the scenes and as an on-and off-camera narrator about some of the historic events of Canadian Jewry.

Film producer Martin Rosenbaum, in an interview, commented: "we felt very fortunate to work with Mr. Hayes. We missed him and his assistance in completing the project."

Added Director Ian Ferguson: "Saul Hayes was our key consultant because he was at the centre of so many of the activities of organized Canadian Jewry."

Funding for the motion picture comes from Congress and the federal multiculturalism Ministry. Prints of the movie will be available for rent and for sale. Both CJC and the film makers hope it gets wide exposure with non-Jewish audiences.

Prior to a screening of a rough cut, Urman explained it is a documentary report of 200 years of Jewish life in Canada. Many CJC archives photos are used.

Rosenbaum said similar films seem to concentrate on cultural events and holidays, "but ours is more political and socially oriented. We deal with why Jews came to Canada, their problems, successes and relationships with other groups."

The movie opens with some shots of a family day at a synagogue to emphasize the continuity of the Jewish community. Then, there is some intercutting to historic scenes including an actor reading excerpts of then-CJC president Sam Bronfman's speech to the 1939 plenary assembly at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto. An archives photo of the convention is seen.

However, the film does not only show organizational development but focuses also on people and the eras in which they came to this country.

Later, Hayes reviews the founding of Congress and recalls events in which he played a major role such as immigration before and during World War II, anti-semitic parties and movements, German Jewish internees in Canada and CJC efforts to mobilize Canadian Jewry during the war.

The scene shifts to the founding of Israel and its importance to Canada, post-war immigration after the Holocaust and work with refugees.

Following this, there is footage of Canadian Jewry today with emphasis on education and the problems of intermarriage and assimilation. A "typical" group of Jewish high school students relate how they identify as Jews.

Also discussed is the future. An Atlantic Jewish Council meeting in Halifax debates the future of smaller communities in its area. A visual montage emphasizes the importance of religion as a binding force.

In 40 minutes, the film, according to its makers, is not meant to be the definitive history of Canada and its Jews. But it does offer an enlightening profile of a people.

Demonstration in front of seminary

Demand ordination of women

NEW YORK —

About 125 people demonstrated in favor of the ordination of women as rabbis outside the Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS), the rabbinical school of Conservative Judaism in downtown Manhattan last week.

In a telephone interview with The Canadian Jewish News, two Canadian-born working co-ordinators of GROW, the Group for Rabbinical Ordination of Women, commented on what they described as the "success" of the rally:

"We had representation from lay people, students, faculty and administrators of JTS," said Elaine Kahn, 26, University of Toronto graduate and former freelance writer for the Toronto Star and The CJN.

Her husband, Lawrence Troster, 26, third year rabbinical student at JTS, also a U of T graduate and former rabbi during the high holidays at the Markham-Unionville Congregation, said that GROW already had the support of 80 rabbis, including Rabbi Eugene Wernick, of Winnipeg.

"We are reaching out to the laity, as well, in a stepped-up program to educate members of the Conservative movement about Jewish laws and practices, he said.

The push is on to be represented at the coming international rabbinical assembly in May, according to Kahn, a mother of twin one-year-old girls who has devoted herself full time to making GROW grow.

Right now, there are working groups in Los Angeles, Washington D.C. and Jerusalem. The husband-and-wife team expressed the hope that a GROW group would start in major centres in Canada as well.

"Our goal is to get 100,000 signatures on a petition by the time of the May assembly," said Kahn. "It is interesting to see that our support comes from all ages, right across the board."

GROW's basic position was articulated in the final report of the Commission for the Study of the Ordination of Women as Rabbis established by the rabbinical assembly three years ago.

In the words of the report, "...there is no cogent argument on halachic grounds for denying a sincere, committed woman the opportunity to study for and achieve the office of rabbi."

With the JTS seminary decision last December to table any vote on the ordination of women, GROW, which had formed earlier in February 1979, regrouped for a more activist approach which includes a speakers' and a basic resource library.

"Some people within the movement feel we are putting the cart before the horse," said Kahn.

"According to Dr. Trude Weiss-Rosmarin (editor of The Jewish Spectator and leading guru in the women's movement within Judaism), the real issue is that women are not able to serve as witnesses — that is, they cannot witness marriages, divorces and brises," she said.

"But, there are many other functions for a rabbi besides serving as a witness. There are sermons, teaching, and other educational and pastoral tasks," she continued.

"The goal of GROW is first to get women ordained and then to try and change the halachic prohibition about women serving as witnesses"

Anyone interested in GROW activities should call (212)-796-8090, or write GROW, Suite 7F, 545 West 111st St., New York, N.Y. 10025.

AGO will feature ketubah display

TORONTO —

Entitled **Ketubah: the Jewish Marriage Contract,** a collection of 38 illuminated ketubahs will be on exhibit at the Art Gallery of Ontario from March 28 to April 7.

Most of the contracts are on loan from the Cecil Roth Collection of the Beth Tzedec Museum. They date back from the mid-17th century to the present and represent worldwide sources.

Works selected for the exhibition include those from Italy, India, Russia, France, England, Israel and Afghanistan, as well as contemporary manuscripts from Canada. A highlight is a magnificently illuminated 1645 ketubah from Venice.

Drawn from the Talmud in accordance with Jewish law, the ketubah is a rabbinical legal contract stating the obligations of the husband in marriage, as well as those incumbent upon him in death or divorce. This contract was introduced in the 5th century B.C.

Ketubot created for the marriage celebration," says Glenda Milrod, exhibition producer, extension services, reflect specific motifs found continually in Judaic tradition such as the rampant lion, representative of the lion of Judah; the three crowns of Torah, Priesthood and Kingdom, and the Tablets of Law in reference to the desert tabernacles and the Temple.

Part of the adornment consists of written verses from the Bible and Talmud in praise of love, happiness in marriage and with traditional good wishes appropriate to the occasion drawn from Proverbs, Ruth, Isaiah, Deuteronomy, Psalms, Genesis and others.

The AGO will circulate the ketubahs across the province at the conclusion of the exhibition.

Posluns emphasizes urgent need for UJA to raise more funds

TORONTO —

Less than a week after officially assuming the presidency of Toronto Jewish Congress, Wilfred Posluns, took time out for an interview in which he discussed what he sees as the role of TJC in the community and some of the problems he may be encountering in the next two years.

Posluns hails from a family whose involvement in Toronto's Jewish communal life spans three generations. Following in the footsteps of his father and grandfather, Wilfred Posluns' initial involvement began with the YM-YWHA (now the Jewish Community Centre).

"I know it sounds strange," he said, "but although I've had a Y membership for many years, I've never been a user of the facilities. The only times I went into the locker rooms was to show a visitor through the place."

He was Y president from 1974 to 1978.

When the building campaign was planned for the Y arts centre and theatre complex, Posluns was asked to head it. During this period he was approached to take on the chairmanship of the United Jewish Appeal campaign. He agreed, after mutual arrangements were worked out which allowed for a leave of absence from the Y. The year was 1976 and Wilfred Posluns emerged then as a major figure in the leadership of Toronto's Jewish community.

Wilfred Posluns was born and educated in Toronto, graduating in commerce and finance from the University of Toronto in 1955. He entered the family business, which under his direction (he is president of Dylex), has grown into a manufacturing and retailing complex employing 10,000 people.

He is married to the former Joyce Eleanor Cohen and they have three children — Wendy, Lynn and David. Wendy, who is married, is presently an articling law student. Both David and Lynn are retracing their father's educational footsteps. They are second and third year commerce and finance students at the U of T. The family attends Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

As TJC president, Posluns' primary concern is to ensure that there is enough money to go round for the funding of essential local services.

"These are difficult, inflationary times," he remarked. "Not only are expenses rising rapidly, but there are more and more demands on all our resources. Where do we cut? Obviously, we have to raise more money than we have been in the past few years."

He considers the strengthening of the United Jewish Appeal campaign as the key area in helping to solve some of the problems.

"We must bring back and revitalize the best of our past leadership," he state, "and by that I mean not only UJA, but the United Jewish Welfare Fund and TJC as well."

When asked if he considered the proliferation of fund-raising events throughout the year, particularly for Israeli-based institutions, harmful to the UJA campaign, Posluns said he was more concerned with the timing of these campaigns.

"Even more damaging is the fact that key people are involved when they should be devoting their full efforts to UJA," he continued. "The timing is crucial."

Posluns firmly believes UJA should be raising far more money than it does at present.

"People give nowhere near their capacity," he commented. "We don't ask that they give 'til it hurts,' I don't think we should. But they should be contributing in a much more responsible manner.

"If we can recruit our best quality leadership, they will help generate enthusiasm and involvement. That should be a primary goal."

How does he see the role of Toronto Jewish Congress in the local community?

"To my mind, TJC must strive to provide the right balance so that all aspirations of the total community are recognized and effectively dealt with."

An impossible dream? Perhaps, but Wilfred Posluns intends to give it his very best effort during the next two years.

The PLO threat

The PLO threatens war against Israel for generations.

See story on page 7.

Holiday deadline

The offices of The Canadian Jewish News in Toronto and Montreal will be closed for Passover April 1 and 2. Our offices will also be closed for the legal holiday April 4.

All deadlines for the April 10 issue will be March 31 at 12 noon.

We thank you for your co-operation.

Congress to hold 'town hall' meet

TORONTO —

A Town Hall-type meeting will be held by Canadian Jewish Congress Ontario region tonight (March 27) at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue.

This is one of a series of open community meetings organized across the country prior to the plenary assembly of CJC, May 1-4, at the Harbour Castle Hilton Hotel in Toronto.

Highlights of the town hall meeting will be election of delegates, nominations for regional chairman and national vice president for the region. Elections for those two positions will take place during the Ontario caucus at the convention.

Sam Filer, outgoing region chairman, will report on his three years in office. There will be a question and answer session following his report. "We will welcome discussion on the variety of issues dealt with by Congress," Filer said in an interview.

Among the topics Filer will deal with is a proposal to set up a planning and priorities committee to study where the region is going. "We react too often instead of anticipating," he commented.

Sam Filer

"At our open meeting, we will discuss how well we serve the smaller communities," he said. "Because it's an evening meeting, we hope for a good representation from cities and towns within driving distance."

During his term, Filer, a Toronto lawyer, traveled extensively throughout the province. For the first time, CJC meetings were held in Oshawa, Hamilton and Cambridge. Also for the first time during his term, Congess hired a fulltime community services and youth activities staff person. A Regional international affairs committee was organized under the co-chairmanship of Rabbi J. Benjamin Friedberg and Ed Waitzer.

Filer said Congress hopes to interest more younger people in its activities, and its executive positions. "More young people will show the older generations that their work has not been for naught," he observed.

Regarding another interest of the outgoing chairman, a meeting will be held prior to the open meeting to consider the formation of a religious affairs committee in the Ontario region. Congress has a national religious department operating out of its Montreal headquarters.

More information about the open community meeting and how to become a delegate can be obtained from Dr. Yehuda Lipsitz, 150 Beverley St., Toronto, M5T 1Y6, 977-3811. Chairman of the nominating committee is Milton Harris of Toronto.

World News

Debut of shekel made sudden for some very good reasons

By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

The reversion to Israel's ancient currency, the shekel, drew a storm of reaction when Finance Minister Hurvitz sprang the news upon an unsuspecting Israeli public recently.

Much of the criticism had to do with the apparent irrelevance of the move to Israel's chronic inflation rate. What, it was asked, would prevent the shekel from going the same was as the lira?

The Canadian Jewish News asked Amos Rubin, economic advisor to the governor of the Bank of Israel, to explain.

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CJN: Why was the news announced in the sudden, dramatic fashion it was? People need time to get used to a currency conversion.

Rubin: In the first place, the news leaked three days before the announcement was due. Hurvitz had no alternative but to go on the air immediately. However the surprise effect was calculated. The intention was to prevent speculation and panic. As it was, between the announcement and the time the banks opened after the weekend, some people had traded lire for dollars at well over the going exchange rate.

CJN: How was such an operation managed without the news leaking out even earlier?

Rubin: Very few people knew. The local banks did not know. Apart from Hurvitz and the governor of the Bank of Israel, only a handful of people were involved. I was only let in on the secret six weeks ago. The operation was carried out abroad. The printing was done in Holland and Switzerland, and the Canadian mint handled part of the coinage.

CJN: Why was the decision taken to convert the currency now?

Rubin: It was mainly a technical matter. When a visit to the supermarket may cost thousands of lirot, it is clearly necessary to adjust the currency. At the same time, it was decided to implement the currency conversion law passed by the Knesset in 1968, approving the shekel as Israel's official currency.

CJN: Why was the shekel not given a more meaningful value? At the rate of one shekel to 10 lirot, you can't even purchase a newspaper.

Rubin: A currency conversion is not an overnight affair. The operation was launched two years ago, when you could certainly have bought a newspaper for a shekel — and had change over, too.

CJN: One of the aims of the conversion is supposed to be to trap untaxed capital. Before the end of May, all holdings in lirot must be exchanged for shekels.

(Carol Gooter photo)

Amos Rubin — Bank of Israel advisor

Rubin: That was not really an aim of the conversion. And as it was, it is unrealistic. Everybody knows that this "black capital" is not hoarded in lirot. Some of it is in foreign currency accounts, some is invested in property. The new currency will have no impact on this problem.

CJN: Former Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich said the intention of the conversion is psychological: to stem economic demoralization and to give people confidence in the currency. Critics charge the intention is indeed psychological, but in a negative sense: an attempt to foster the illusion that something is really done about inflation, which remains the basic problem.

Rubin: The so-called psychological aspect of the conversion is secondary, and far too much has been made of it. But the fact that its timing coincided with the presentation of the new budget has some significance. It is a declaration of bona fides in the beginning of a period of deflationary measures. With a new currency we can make a new start.

CJN: But even since Hurvitz made his announcement, prices of basic commodities have continued to rise and the country is plagued with strikes. If the wage claims are answered, the inflationary spiral will simply continue.

Rubin: Well, of course it would have been better had steps been taken to curb inflation before the currency was changed.

CJN: Does this mean the Bank of Israel does not see eye-to-eye with the Government on fiscal and economic policy?

Rubin: We're in constant dialogue. At the bank we place greater emphasis on curbing inflation and balance of payments.

CJN: Everybody is for delationary measures in principle. But when it involves unemployment on an increasing scale, people are going to fight.

Rubin: This is completely misconceived. I would say that in Israel we have overemployment. Here and there, there may be some temporary unemployment as the economy readjusts. Our major challenge now is to reshape our economic policies to suit our economic maturity — and here I am very optimistic.

Instead of sticking with old notions such as incomes policies and increasing industrial production, we should re-evaluate our economy in terms of its present structure.

To my mind, the Israeli economy has come of age. We have passed through the pioneering stage, when we had to find productive employment for a largely unskilled labor force. Now, if we want to export certain commodities in quantity in competition with Taiwan or India, we must also be prepared to accept their standard of living. This is senseless and unnecessary. We have reached the stage where 3% of the labor force can produce all our food, and 25% can fill our industrial needs. We have a highly skilled labor force, not potentially, but in fact. We should be geared to the provision of highly complex, specialized, one-of-a-kind services and production.

CJN: You say you are optimistic in the long run. What about the short run?

Rubin: We have two very serious liabilities which compound each other. One is our defence expenditure, which we have made superhuman efforts to maintain in conventional terms. We have not taken the NATO option of using cheaper nuclear cover. The other is oil. For the sake of peace we gave back an oilfield that was providing 25% of our oil needs — and this in a world where countries are not ashamed to go to war to ensure their oil sources.

We pay two-and-a-half billion dollars per annum for oil, after deducting American assistance. We have no hydro-electric power or oil like Canada. We have to pay for every barrel. While others scream about the energy crisis, we are paying the full bill. Israel is often accused of bungling her economy. Given our situation, I would say we are a success story.

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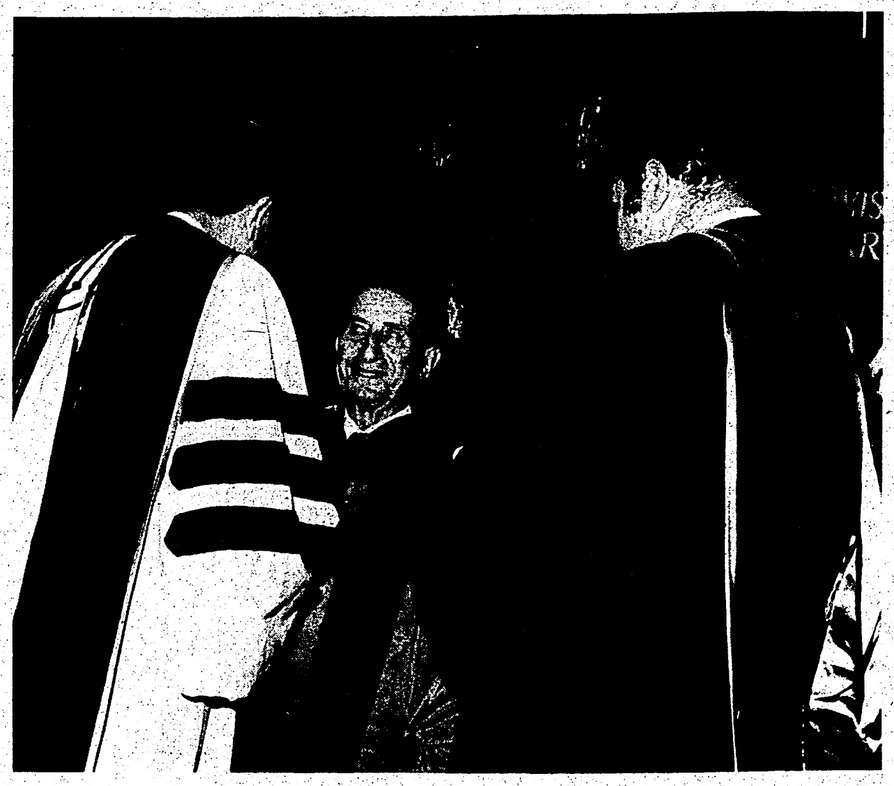

HONORARY FELLOW

Joseph Tanenbaum of Toronto [centre] is inducted as honorary fellow of Jewish Theological Seminary of America by Chancellor Gerson Cohen [left] at its recent winter convocation ceremonies in Miami Beach. Looking on is Vice-Chancellor Yaakov Rosenberg. Seminary is spiritual centre of Conservative Judaism.

Inflation rate will dip

TEL AVIV [ZINS] —

Economists of the giant enterprise Klal predict a decline in the inflation rate in 1980.

In their opinion, writes the newspaper Ha'aretz, inflation will climb by 80% compared with 100% in 1979.

Another opinion is offered by economists of a second giant enterprise, Kur. It estimates the rate of inflation in 1980 will reach 70%.

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Reform Zionists confer in Israel

By WOLF S. MATSDORF

JERUSALEM —

Aliya, cults and the evolution of Reform Judaism were among the topics discussed by Canadian delegates to the recent 21st Conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism here.

Rabbi Michael Stroh, Toronto president of Kadima, the Canadian Council of Reform Zionists, told the 800 delegates that its new traditionalism indicated a greater identification with Israel. He said this would manifest itself in two ways: increased aliya to Israel and a form of religious mission to the people of Israel themselves, most of whom, he said, are not Orthodox. "Reform Judaism has a great task to work amongst the secular sector of the population," he stressed.

Rabbi Stroh said also that Reform would have to fight to obtain more rights as a movement within the Israeli establishment. He joined with delegates from South Africa, Britain, Holland and Australia in a resolution pressing for more influence within the Zionist movement, which the Reform movement had traditionally neglected.

Another of the 22 Canadian delegates, Dr. Saul Levine, Toronto, participated in a symposium on cults, urging Reform to provide a solution to their menace. The University of Toronto psychiatry professor drew upon his experiences to describe the plight of a group of young adults between the ages of 17 and 29 who were struck with acute dissatisfaction in their personal lives and turned to cults. A high proportion of this group came from Reform middle class families, he said.

Dr. Levine stressed that they should not be treated as sick or psychologically disturbed, but rather as being in a transient state of demoralization, alienation from their environment, and at a nadir of self esteem. "At that point in time," said Dr. Levine, "they want to make life worthwhile in a shared experience. They are ripe for the simplistic answers and lifestyle offered by a variety of cults."

He was critical of deprogramming, which he described as being of little use.

Dr. Levine also noted that more than 40% of the students in Israeli yeshivot came from non-Orthodox families and had given up promising university and professional studies to learn Torah and Gemorrah. He added that while some of these students' parents were grateful they had not gone off to the cults, there was a feeling that Reform should prepare a viable alternative within its own value system to Orthodox education.

Dr. Levine's call was echoed by a delegate from England. Steve Meyer of the Liberal Synagogue in London urged progressive Judaism to develop greater spiritual values and inject such doctrines as Messianism into Jewish reality.

Rabbi Gunther Plaut, Toronto, delivered the keynote address, describing how Reform had evolved to a stage requiring of its adherents the re-acceptance of traditional values. The subsequent phase, he said, would see among other things, "a missionary force to the vast secular element in the Jewish population" of Israel and the Diaspora.

Among other highlights of the week-long conference were: the ordination of the first Israeli-born and trained Reform rabbi, Mordechai Rotem; meetings with leading Israeli politicians; an address by Prime Minister Menachem Begin on the Camp David negotiations; and a visit to the Reform Kibbutz Yahel in the Negev.

The conference was also the stage for the late Yigal Allon's last public address.

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Like 'sahibs' of bygone era

Giscard is an Arabist in heart and soul

By EDWARD EYTAN

PARIS [JTA] —

Like the "sahibs" of the former British empire, French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing loves Arab lore and traditions. Those who know him well say that he likes to lounge on a priceless Persian carpet in the tent of an Arab oil-rich sheik, review the men of King Khaled's Black Guard, or engage in the "sports of kings," falcon hunting with a bird of prey soaring in the skies.

Recently, Giscard went gazelle hunting with a diamond encrusted rifle in the Jordan desert. King Hussein, an old friend who knows the president's weak spots well, took him hunting "traditional Arab style."

The French president has often acted, in both internal and foreign affairs, according to subjective motivations. His government includes, or has included a couple of princes and a half dozen counts. His wife is a descendant of half a dozen kings. He himself claims to be a scion of Louis XIV and his intimate circle of friends generally consists of dukes, princes and an occasional billionaire.

In foreign affairs he has launched France on an ambitious and independent policy which makes him feel the equal of the world's main leaders. French paratroopers have intervened, rapidly and abruptly, in half a dozen African states and French diplomacy is persistently trying to deal as an equal with the United States and the Soviet Union.

In the Middle East, Giscard has tried to pursue an independent and increasingly pro-Arab policy since his election. It was for him, at the time, both a question of France's interest and a symbol of prestige and independence.

Only a few months after his election, in April 1974, when practically all of Western Europe was still staunchily pro-Israel and Jerusalem and Washington were in the heyday of their friendship and cooperation, Giscard's foreign minister Jean Sauvagnargues met and shook Yasir Arafat's hand in Beirut. The incident, now half-forgotten, practically marked the Palestine Liberation Organization's official entry on to the international scene.

Since then, France gave the tone and marked the increasingly pro-Arab West European line. It was France which first spoke of a Palestinian homeland, France which welcomed a PLO office in Paris, France which failed to welcome Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's trip to Jerusalem and led an offensive of ice-cold indifference to the Camp David agreements.

Giscard's declarations calling for Palestinian "self-determination" which implies the creation of a Palestinian state, gives another and still sharper pro-Arab turn to his Middle East policy.

A number of reasons have prompted this new initiative. There are concrete material interests aimed at reducing France's important economic deficit in its trade with the Arab world. Last year alone, France imported $6 billion worth of oil from Saudi Arabia and $2 billion more from the other four Persian Gulf states: Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain and Abu Dhabi. It sold them slightly over $1 billion worth of goods, mainly arms.

France believes that by improving its ties with them, it can also improve both its economic situation and ensure a guaranteed flow of oil in coming years. Saudi Arabia supplies 40% of France's oil consumption and the other four states, another 15%.

But, it would be both unfair and inaccurate to attribute Giscard's increasingly pro-Palestinian policy to material considerations.

According to the French official analysis, the Arab world, and especially Saudi Arabia and the Gulf States, are increasingly disappointed with Washington. This, both because of America's failure to support the regime of the shah of Iran and because of what the Arabs claim to be its continued pro-Israeli policy.

The French believe that the time is ripe to try and step into America's shoes and slowly replace U.S. political and economic influence.

French officials openly confess that Western Europe, led by France, could play the major role in the Arabian Peninsula and for the first time fully enjoy the fruits of such a cooperation. The French are also worried by both increasing Soviet influence and by the dangers of instability and possible revolutions. The Giscard government is probably the world's staunchest supporter of stability throughout the Third World.

It has rapidly intervened militarily throughout Africa whenever it felt the stability of the regimes in power threatened. French paratroopers and planes operated in Chad, Mauritania, Zaire, Djibuti, the Central African Republic and more recently in Tunisia.

Even at Mecca, during the recent attempted religious zealots' coup, France reacted at once. Within a few hours, after the Saudi request, it flew military experts and technical equipment to help put down the revolt.

The official French analysis believes that the basic factor of instability in the Gulf, Saudi Arabia and even Jordan are the Palestinian refugees.

Israeli archaeologists confirm sites described in Bible and Jewish legend

With Passover almost upon us, the JCNS Jerusalem correspondent takes a *timely look at Israel's preoccupations* with locating the precise sites of those wondrous events of 3,400 years ago.

The Jewish version of Macaulay's schoolboy will doubtless know that the Children of Israel left Egypt via the Red Sea, were given the Ten Commandments at Mount Sinai and wandered 40 years in the wilderness before entering the Promised Land.

But even this paragon of knowledge and precocious wisdom will have no more than a vague idea where these places are supposed to be. And in fact such inquisitiveness would have been discouraged by the rabbis, who felt that Mount Sinai and the other places should remain powerful religious symbols rather than matter-of-fact localities which can be visited and looked at.

But Israelis are matter-of-fact people, and archaeologists and Bible scholars have roamed the Sinai Peninsula in recent years, while it was accessible to them, to try and dig the secrets of its past history from the shifting desert sands. And when Israeli families sit down to their seder table they will evaluate the latest theories on the route of the Exodus and location of Mount Sinai, discussion fuelled by a program put out annually at this time by Israel Radio.

But despite all the research and the discussion it has been impossible to pinpoint the place of that historic journey with any certainty, and theories and conjecture take over.

Take the Red Sea. Even the name is in dispute, and scholars now generally agree that this is a misnomer for "Reed Sea" or Marsh Sea. What is today called the Red Sea is in fact blue and in any case, say sceptical scientists, far too wide to have been crossed by over a half million people in haste, or at all. The scholars have found no fewer than nine different locations for it, from the Mediterranean to Elat.

Mount Sinai has been seen in 15 places, including three in the mountains of Edom or Midian, in what is now Transjordan, and one way-out seeker after truth has placed it in the Sahara desert! As for the route the Israelites took through the Sinai peninsula, we can choose among three, the southern, the northern, or the central.

There are many resaons for this uncertainty, but in any case it is a daunting task to penetrate the thick layer of myth and dogmatic belief after some 3,000 years. The early Christians, who had withdrawn into the southern Sinai to escape Roman persecution, settled on a tall and majestic granite peak rising 5,000 feet above its immediate environment (7,000 feet above sea level) later called Jebel Musa (Arabic for the mountain of Moses). The Roman emperor Justinian built St. Catherine's monastery at its foot in 530 CE and Moslems followed with a mosque centuries later. This is the Mount Sinai which Israel handed back to Egypt some months ago as part of the peace treaty terms and on which President Sadat says he will build a house of worship for the three great monotheistic faiths.

It is to be hoped that President Sadat agrees with the traditional Jewish (and Islamic) view that the symbolism of Mount Sinai is more important than its physical fact, for it is far from certain that Jebel Musa is in fact what it says. The first modern scholar to go and see for himself certainly thought otherwise. The German geographer J. L. Burckhardt concluded in 1822 that the mountain was Jebel Sarbal, some 60 miles away. An important fact supporting this theory is the discovery of many ancient Egyptian inscriptions around Sarbal, while none have been found at Musa. Even more favored in this respect is another candidate, Sarbit el Hada a little further north, where some inscriptions were found in what is believed to be the earliest form of Hebrew, dating from 100 or so years before the accepted date of the Exodus.

The identity of the real Mount Sinai is of course tied up with the route the Israelites took in their long march from Egypt into the promised land. The three peaks mentioned all lie in or near the traditionally accepted southern route. Modern researchers, however, don't believe that this is where the Israelites passed for, they say, the large body of men, women, children, old and young, who escaped from Pharaoh's Egypt simply could not have survived the desert conditions for the length of time mentioned in the biblical narrative. Except by miraculous Divine intervention, that is, and the rationalists rule that out. They have therefore shifted the route northwards into more fertile soil, and taken Mount Sinai with them.

A somewhat novel central route has recently been suggested by the young Israeli geographer Menashe Har-El , who finds insuperable obstacles to both the southern and northern routes. He identifies Jebel Sin Bisher as the correct locale, equating sin with Sinai and deriving bisher from the Arabic bishr, meaning revelation (compare also the Hebrew besurah). The peak is only a relatively miniscule 2,000 feet above sea level and thus lacks some of the majesty of Jebel Musa. But, argues Har-El, it is easy to climb and, after all, Moses was hardly a young man when he ascended the mountain to receive the Tablets.

It is perhaps as well that the mountain where Judaism was born cannot be identified with any certainty. The rabbis certainly showed good sense when they discouraged speculation on this subject, for Sinai, the mountain of the Lord, thus remains a lofty ideal rather than prosaic reality. And if President Sadat carries through his plan to build a combined Jewish-Moslem-Christian house of worship and dedicate it to the brotherhood of man, then perhaps we can hope that the mountain of the Lord will in future be found in the hearts of men rather than in a tract of desert land.

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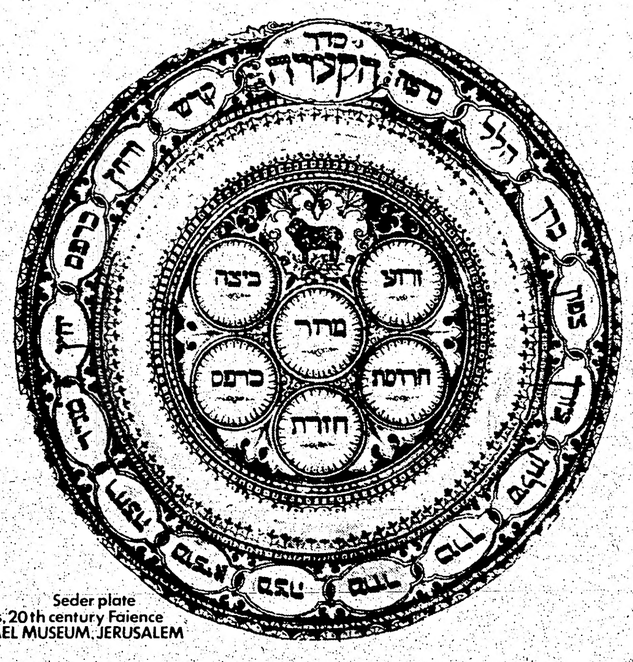

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These grade 11 students will soon be the first graduates from St. Laurent Herzliah who took their grade seven and eight Hebrew studies in the school's Judaica program. From left: Soryl Naymark, head of general studies; Rabbi Jay Braverman, United Talmud Torahs educational director; Mitchell Rosenberg, Cheryl Goldman, Danielle Roumi, Shari Schwartz, Cindy Hershon and Shmuel Isackson, principal of Hebrew studies. Seated at front are students Natalie Levine and Orly Buzelan.

First pupils happily graduate from St. Laurent Judaica program

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

What happens to the Jewish child who has gone through Hebrew afternoon school and then, having reached high school age, wants to switch from the public to the Jewish day school system?

With rare exception, there is nothing he can do. Students from the afternoon schools simply do not have enough grounding in Hebrew to enter a Jewish day school at the high school level in Montreal. Students in Jewish high schools are graduates of Jewish elementary schools. That has been the general rule — until recently.

Five years ago, the St. Laurent branch of Herzliah High School decided to give these children a second chance.

Its unique "Judaica program" enables especially motivated children from the afternoon schools to enter the regular general studies program in Secondary I (grade seven).

An intensive two-year ulpan-type Hebrew program prepares them to enter the regular Hebrew studies classes by grade nine.

The program was initiated five years ago, and this June seven students from that first year will graduate from St. Laurent Herzliah. Only a couple of the students in the program's first year were not able to complete it (they were re-directed to public high schools), and since that time an encouraging average of about 75% of those who begin the two-year program are able to complete it and go on successfully to the regular Hebrew classes.

Most of the students in the first year came from Dollard des Ormeaux, which had no elementary day school when they were that age but did have a fine afternoon school at the Beth Tikvah synagogue. The program was created to accommodate the wishes of many Dollard parents who wanted their children to continue their Jewish education. St. Laurent Herzliah was the closest Jewish high school to Dollard. The eight-year-old school now has 300 students.

Since then the students enrolling in the program have come from many areas of the city. For the most part, they are the children of parents who "saw the light, so to speak, a little late," according to Rabbi Jay Braverman, educational director of United Talmud Torahs of Montreal.

"I think the community must provide for these children; I would even say that the 60% of Jewish children in Montreal who have no Jewish education whatsoever should have a chance at attending a Jewish high school . . . the community must develop this potential." There are an estimated 1,900 Jewish children now attending afternoon schools in the Montreal area.

Although the afternoon school background of the students who have gone through the program varies from a couple of years to a full complement, applicants must know the basics of the Hebrew language.

Motivation is the key to succeeding in the Judaica program, says Shmuel Isackson, principal of Hebrew studies. The program concentrates on improving the students speaking fluency in Hebrew. The focus of the program is on language, and less on subject matter.

The "Judaicas," as they are affectionately known as by the other students, take 13½ hours of Hebrew studies a week but seven periods are spent on language instead of the regular five. Five teachers, specially trained for the intensive teaching of Hebrew, are attached to the program and modern videotape methods and textbooks are used.

The program is completely subsidized by Herzliah and fees are the same as for regular students. A varying minimum of students is required each year, however, for the program to be economically feasible. Last year there was no program offered.

A group of parents, headed by Charlotte Felsky and Phyllis Hier of Dollard, are trying to make sure the program becomes a permanent feature at the St. Laurent Herzliah. Both women have children who completed the program and are hoping their younger ones will be able to do the same.

According to Braverman, the Judaicas are the "yeast in the dough" in school activities. "The students are more than fully integrated into school life — they are the catalytic agents, the spirit of the school." Shari Schwartz and Natalie Levine, two grade 11 students who were in the program the first year, are co-editors of the school yearbook.

Perhaps the best testimony to the Judaica program's worth comes from the students themselves.

"We were worried at first when we started the regular Hebrew studies program if we would be prepared enough but we did as well if not better," remembers Cindy Hershon, now in Grade 11. She attended Westpark elementary school in Dollard and the afternoon school at Beth Tikvah synagogue.

Cheryl Goldman, also a grade 11 student, is proof that determination is the key to getting through the program. She spent her elementary years at the French Catholic private school, Notre-Dame de Sion, and had only one year of afternoon school at United Talmud Torahs. Today she is fluent in Hebrew.

All seven from the first year of the program, who are now in Grade 11, say they want to tour the afternoon schools in the city to encourage the children to consider the Judaica program.

"We want to show them that where there's a will, there's a way. We succeeded and so can they if they really want a Jewish education," say the students.

Canadians hold parley in Florida

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. —

Motivated to learn, to listen and to socialize, 350 members of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO vacationing in sunny Florida gathered at the Diplomat Hotel recently for the second national southern regional conference.

Speakers included Mirial Small, newly installed national Hadassah-WIZO president; Dr. Bernard Cherrick, vice president, Hebrew University, Jerusalem; Evelyn Sommer, WIZO representative at the ECOSOC, United Nations, and Lily Frank, national executive vice president of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO.

Mirial Small spoke of the most positive impact of her childhood — her parents's Zionist home where pride in Jewish traditions and heritage were emphasized. She related the dire needs of the numerous WIZO projects — day care centres, schools, Youth Aliyah centres, recreational women's clubs for Arab and Jewish women, hospital facilities, and others — all of which have been affected by soaring inflation.

Bernard Cherrick, vice president of the Hebrew University, stressed that the strength of Jewish history throughout the ages was faith and action, and that with the advent of the 80s, challenging problems had to be faced, such as those of the West Bank, Gaza, Jerusalem and the PLO. He thanked Canadian Hadassah-WIZO for having recently undertaken a vital new project of providing much needed textbooks for underprivileged students.

Evelyn Sommer, WIZO representative at the ECOSOC, United Nations, told of some of her travels to remote areas of the world, where the name of WIZO has an almost magic connotation. She stressed the importance of the power of women, and the value of their accomplishments, especially in the field of human betterment.

Lily Frank, national vice president, summarized the highlights of the recent national convention held in Vancouver in January, — commencing with the overflow attendance at the opening session when 1,400 men and women participated.

Sister works for friendly relations

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Most people pass the storybook house on Queen Mary Road, next door to the private French girls' school College Marie de France, without giving it too much thought. They may admire the quaint stone house with the bright green shutters flanking scrubbed-white windows, but never learn who lives beyond the white-columned door.

This is Centre Mi-Ca-El, the home and sanctuary of a remarkable Catholic nun, Sister Marie-Noelle, who has singularly devoted her life to the betterment of relations between Jews and Christians. Since coming to Canada 21 years ago, she has become one of the most respected figures in this difficult field.

On the 25th anniversary of her services to ecumenism four years ago, Canadian Jewish Congress wrote "the Jewish community is indeed fortunate to have such a firm friend in its midst and one whose comprehension and compassion have moved us all."

Born in France about 75 years ago (she prefers not to give an exact age), Sister Marie-Noelle is a small, frail woman who was left partially crippled early in life and walks today with difficulty, even with the aid of a cane. Nevertheless, she is still often seen at many community events. She wears no traditional nun's habit, her order having abandoned the traditional dress in the mid-60s. Only a simple wooden cross on a cord around her neck identifies her.

Hers has not been an easy mission, especially for one so modest and pure of intent. Ecumenism has not been met with the enthusiasm that Sister Marie-Noelle feels is needed. Christian-Jewish dialogue groups in Montreal have come and gradually faded over the years.

Although no less convinced of the value of interfaith dialogue, Sister Marie-Noelle expressed her disappointment on the progress of Jewish-Christian communication in Canada, as compared to the United States and Europe.

"I have received anti-semitic letters from Catholics, some of them priests, saying I was trying to Judaize the Christian people," she said.

Catholics and Protestants are "still full of prejudice," she continued, preventing real advancement. "There is a lack of interest in looking at the Judaic origins of Christianity and the benefits of mutual understanding."

The villification of Israel on the international level has not helped Jewish-Christian relations, which Sister Marie-Noelle says have been "very painful" for her. In 1968, 1972 and 1976 she spent time in Israel.

How Sister Marie-Noelle embarked on her unusual mission surprises even her. Born Marie-Antionette de Baillehache to a middle-class Norman family in Paris, she did not enter a convent until she

(Howard Kay photo)

Sister Marie-Noelle

was 22. Her background had not been particularly religious and she had been studying chemistry at the Sorbonne.

Soon after her entry into the convent, she became seriously ill and was confined to a bed and later a wheelchair for eight years. It was nearly another five years before she began walking again.

"It (her sickness) opened a whole new horizon to me. When I started living life again everything changed for me. It was a rebirth," she tried to explain, struggling for words where none could adequately express the depth of her experience.

"Now I had true compassion and feelings for those who suffer morally or physically in any part of the world because of my own suffering. My sickness was a kind of school for understanding the hopes and frustrations of all people."

Between 1934 and 1959, Sister Marie-Noelle taught pastrology, the study of ancient Israel, as well as mathematics and physics at one of the schools run by her convent. Because of her flair for linguistics, she spent five years studying Hebrew. Most of the books needed for her studies were printed in Israel. Through them she became acquainted with the life in Israel and Zionism. And, as fate would have it, this was also around the time when the state of Israel was created.

Along with a handful of other sisters she studied Jewish history, becoming familiar with the Talmud and other Judaic literature.

In 1959 she was sent to Montreal as mistress of 100 novices. The experiment to introduce French nuns into Quebec Catholicism failed but Sister Marie-Noelle remained in her new home. The same year the late Pope John XXIII called the Second Vatican Council which for the first time in the history of the Church expressed a desire for ecumenical, rather than missionary, relations with non-Catholics, including Jews.

Sister Marie-Noelle's order, Notre-Dame de Sion, took a special interest in the Second Council's instructions — the order was founded by two French Jewish converts in the mid-19th century — and was one of the pioneers when it officially adopted ecumenism in 1964.

CORRECTION

In a report of Shmuel Tamir's speech at the CZF convention in last week's issue, he was quoted as saying that the majority of people in Jerusalem are Palestinians. This was a misquote. The sentence should have read "the majority of people in Jordan..." We regret the error.

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CZF youth gives priority to aliya

By JANICE ARNOLD

TORONTO — The active lobbying by representatives of the various Zionist youth movements at the fifth national convention of the Canadian Zionist Federation was successful in having the promotion of aliya made the highest priority of the organization.

A total of 77 delegates, alternates and observers from 10 Zionist youth movements were among the 483 registered participants at the two-day convention held recently at the Harbour Castle Hilton Hotel. Only Betar, the youth division of Herut, did not send delegates.

Youth delegates were miffed by what they called the "toleration" of youth at the convention but leak of encouragement of anything more than "token participation." Bothered by a drifting away from "the basics of Zionism" and nervous over possible budget cuts to youth programs by the World Zionist Organization, the youth delegates systematically brought the importance of aliya before almost every session of the convention.

They eventually succeeded in being allowed to hold an unscheduled youth plenary session on the last day of the convention. Planned to last one-half hour, the plenary went on for 90 minutes, pre-empting workshops on the original program.

The heated discussions that took place at the youth plenary and the workshop on aliya that followed were translated at the end of the convention into lengthy resolutions favorable to aliya and youth.

The CZF resolved that aliya is the "paramount goal of Zionism" and to ensure a Jewish future there is "no real alternative to settling in Israel."

It was decided that a national aliya conference under the auspices of the CZF national convention three years from now, local aliya councils be established in every Jewish community in Canada to assist aliya movements and individuals considering emigration to Israel. The aliya councils would keep in contact with ex-Canadians in Israel as well, assisting them "financially and morally" in their absorption, it was resolved.

Telem (an acronym for "Movement for Zionist Fulfilment in Hebrew) was entrusted with developing community support for aliya. Telem, founded a couple of years ago in San Francisco and since given official status by the WZO, is not affiliated with any party and has as its sole purpose the promotion of aliya for adults. Members are committed to making aliya within six years. Chapters of Telem were founded in Toronto and Montreal this past winter.

It was resolved that Telem will become a constituent of the CZF and be provided with a separate budget.

The CZF will "demand" that WZO continue all present funding to the Zionist youth movements and their shlichim, it was resolved.

Also under the resolution on youth were clauses calling for: all CZF members to be "morally obligated" to send their children to Zionist youth movements or their summer camps; the establishment of scholarship funds for those who cannot afford to send their children to the camps and a "counsellorship" fund to supplement the low salaries of camp staff.

Although it was not made clear how it could be enforced, a resolution was passed "obligating" all CZF members to send their children to a Jewish day school. The CZF will "strongly encourage" the integration of a Zionist curriculum into the Jewish day schools and will "exert its influence" on the schools to enable the Zionist youth movements to be active within them.

The next national convention of the CZF will provide for more representation from aliya and youth movements and more time for the discussion of aliya, another resolution stated.

The rather embarassing problem of teaching shlichim who do not return to Israel after the end of their tenures came up in the education resolution. The CZF resolved that it will ask school boards to help in encouraging these Israeli teachers to return home.

At the luncheon session, hosted by the Ontario government on the last day of the convention (Premier William Davis was represented by MPP David Rotenberg), guest speakers David Ariel, consul general of Israel to Toronto, and Irwin Cotler, professor of law at McGill University in Montreal, stressed the importance of aliya.

Ariel said Israel "needs more than your hearts; it needs your bodies and minds too." Cotler concluded that aliya "must be the raison d'etre of Zionism," and encouraged the widespread learning of Hebrew to be able to communicate with Israelis.

Two additional officer positions were created for youth representation on the board of the CZF. The youth movements will be allowed two vice-presidents at large.

Says cuts in oil production to be a continuous process

TORONTO — The Iranian revolution not only changed the face of the oil crisis giving it a Muslim complexion, but also set a pattern for continuous cuts in oil production in the future, a Middle East expert on the "politics of oil," said last weekend.

Mordechai Abir, a visiting professor from Israel at York University told a plenary session of the Canadian Zionist Federation's convention that "oil shortages have nothing to do with real shortages, and everything to do with politics."

"Why sell at today's prices when tomorrow you can get more for the same?" he asked rhetorically.

He said Iran used to produce 6 million barrels of oil a day until the end of 1977 when it reduced its production to nil. Iran's cutback withdrew 20% of the oil shipped to world markets.

"This shortfall created panic and hysteria in West European markets even though there was more oil coming from other sources such as Venezuela and Mexico.

"The cutback in oil production sent oil prices skyrocketing. It then became immediately apparent that to produce less, meant to get more," said Abir, who has his doctorate in oriental and African studies from the University of London.

"The high prices of oil have absolutely no relationship at all to the world's proven oil reserves," he stressed.

While he conceded that oil is not replenishable, he drew attention to the fact that Venezuela, Mexico, Nigeria and other oil-producing areas such as in the North Sea are reporting increased amounts of proven reserves.

"The fact is that we don't know how much we've got, and countries like the United States have been crying about oil shortages from as far back as 1898," he said.

Abir pointed out that it was in 1970 "when the U.S. became a net importer rather than net exporter, that the OPEC countries really began to flex their muscles."

The U.S. consumes one third of the world's energy. The whole market changed when this giant became dependent on outside oil supplies, he declared. "The U.S. is now a world power reduced to its knees," claimed Abir. "With the fall of the shah and seizure of the embassy, the U.S. lost respect in the Third World and lost credibility.

"But most important," added Abir, "the Iranian revolution precipitated a process which unsettled the balance of power in the Middle East.

"There is much greater polarization now," he said. "Because Saudi Arabia became unsure of U.S. protection, it reversed its balancing act between the moderation of Egypt and extremists such as Syria.

"Saudi Arabia became a tool of the radicals. It coerced Morocco — the country which actually brought Egypt and Israel together — into denouncing Egypt and cutting its relationships with Egypt."

The price of polarization is increased pressure and isolation of Egypt in the Middle East, which threw an unwelcome wrench into the process of normalization, as well as a doubling of the price of oil by 1979.

Abir maintained that there are such enormous sums of money flowing into Arab oil treasuries that oil-producing countries can easily reduce production without losing any revenue.

At the same session, Mordechai Tamarkin, an Israeli exchange scholar at Concordia College in Montreal, gave his version of the Israeli "consensus" on the Palestinian problem.

Stating clearly that he did not speak either for the present government or any particular political party, Tamarkin openly disagreed with Shmuel Tamir, Minister of Justice, who earlier in the day repudiated any prospect of an independent Palestinian state on Israel's borders.

Although rejecting any Palestinian state led by the PLO, Tamarkin, a senior lecturer at Hebrew University on African history, said that arguments used against a Palestinian state are politically irresponsible and intellectually dishonest.

It is pointless to argue that a Palestinian people does not exist. Nor is it enough to say that Jordan is a Palestinian state.

Resolution on settlements is rejected in committee

TORONTO — Two resolutions proposed by Friends of Pioneering Israel, with the support of the Labor Zionist movement and Pioneer Women-Na'amat, which called upon the government of Israel to stop spending money on Jewish settlements in "sensitive areas" and to seek a "just solution" to the problem of the more than 1.5 million Arabs under its rule, were rejected by the resolutions committee of the CZF convention and not read at the plenary resolutions meeting.

Instead, a resolution commending the government and people of Israel for "their sacrifices and commitment to peace" and expressing "profound solidarity with their struggle for peace" was presented to the plenum and passed easily. Only about two-thirds of the delegates to the convention were present for the vote.

The CZF resolved that it supports the Camp David accords and the Egypt-Israel peace treaty for "the example they provide to other potential partners such as Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and those Palestinian Arab leaders who recognize the legitimate national rights of the Jewish people in its homeland, the democratic State of Israel."

A resolution was also passed stating there is "strength in unity, weakness in disunity" and all member organizations of the CZF should "support each other and learn to work as a team."

FPI had been responsible for bringing in a spokesman for the Peace Now movement, Tzaly Reshef, at an unscheduled session of the convention.

A resolution asking for the equal recognition of Reform Judaism in Israel, brought to the resolutions committee by Kadimah, the Reform Zionist movement, was not accepted on the grounds that it was a religious matter.

Concern for the decreasing number of Soviet Jews who settle in Israel was shown in a Soviet Jewry resolution which recommended that the transit camps for Soviet Jewish emigres be removed from Europe and set up in Israel.

CZF did, however, resolve to give its full support to the right of Soviet Jews to emigrate, and did not make any distinction between whether their destination is Israel or elsewhere.

Although no sessions were held on the subject at the convention, it was resolved that the CZF establish a task force on the Falasha Jews of Ethiopia. This body will study ways to allow the aliya of the endangered Falashas, including lobbying the Canadian government.

The social, economic and cultural problems of Sephardim in Israel have been left unresolved and are in fact worsening, according to a resolution brought by the Canadian Sephardic Federation. The CZF should urge the government of Israel and the World Zionist Federation to implement all the recommendations of the Katz Report which "until now have been ignored," said the resolution.

The convention plenum also approved the establishment of a standing constitution committee, to be chaired by Ben Prossin of Halifax and composed of one representative of each CZF constituent organization and one representative from each of the six regions. All appointments to this committee will be made by April 30.

The committee has been charged with drafting a constitution for the 13-year-old CZF.

The CZF convention

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Joyous festival

On the evening of March 31 Jews everywhere will be celebrating one of the most joyous and meaningful festivals on the Jewish calendar. The richness of the ritual and the color of the seder remain with us all the days of our lives. For the young it is the threshhold of peoplehood and the shared family experience; for the old it is misty nostalgia and the memory of youthful affections and parents who have departed this world.

Some would say that Passover is even more important than Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Michael Asheri in his book **Jewish Living** (Everest) makes the point that when the Lord gave the preamble to the first commandment, He did not say: "I am the Lord who created the world." Nor did He proclaim: "I am the Lord who forgives sin." Those are the guiding motifs of the High Holidays.

Instead the G-d of Israel introduces the Decalogue with the announcement: "I am the Lord, your G-d who brought you out of the land of Egypt and the house of bondage." The Exodus is then one of the major sancta in Jewish life. The Torah, moreover, does not permit us to forget this. Indeed the mitzvah repeated most often in the Hebrew Bible admonishes the Jewish people to be generous and helpful to strangers because "you were strangers in Egypt."

The experience of the Jewish people since the epoch-making events of the Exodus has been both edifying and disappointing. It confirms, moreover, the oft repeated maxim that while the Jews got out of Egypt, they did not completely get Egypt out of them. In the biblical books the history of the Israelites after the redemption from Egypt is a melancholic story of mutiny, apostasy and insurrection. Centuries of life in pagan Egypt had denatured the religious sensitivities of the descendants of Jacob.

Passover teaches us, however, that the great civilizing mission of Judaism could not be accomplished while the Jewish people labored under Pharaoh's yoke. Freedom was necessary in order for the priest-people to execute its human-divine vocation.

It should not be thought, moreover, that the freedom which the Israelites obtained was mere political liberation. When Moses said: "Let my people go," that was only the first part of the sentence. The second part, "so that they might worship me in the desert," is equally important. The Jewish people was not unleashed from Egyptian control to become merely another Levantine tribe competing for pasture land. The Exodus signalled the redemption from terrestrial servitude and at the same time the entry into G-d's covenant, which paradoxically led to a new and more disciplined life under the mitzvot.

Each year on the holiday of Passover each Jew is instructed to imagine what it might have been like to have been in Egypt. But for the grace of G-d we might still be there. Passover then is a time to count our blessings and to rejoice in our status as free men, bound only to a higher devotion — to the G-d of Israel.

PASSOVER AS THE CENTURY DAWNED

It could be Toronto; Montreal or Warsaw. But it's actually Burks Falls, Ont. Jews, in the year 1912, mark Passover with the time-honored traditional touches.

The photo was supplied by the TJC-CJC Ontario Region archives in Toronto, which has a large number of old photographs stored away in its files.

We've come a long way

Mortimer Zuckerman, a Boston real estate developer who was educated at McGill University, has bought The Atlantic Monthly, that venerable journal of politics, literature and public affairs.

On the face of it, this is hardly earthshaking news. Businessmen with funds to spare are in the habit of buying prestigious periodicals or newspapers. Indeed, the two families that owned The Atlantic Monthly until Zuckerman came along made their respective fortunes in the freewheeling world of business.

This sale is a little different because it confirms the changes that have occurred in the U.S. in the last 30 or so years.

The Atlantic Monthly was founded by Protestant brahmins in 1857, and blue-bloods controlled it all these years. The magazine seemed to represent the mores of the Anglo-Saxon Bostonians who were so influential in shaping and moulding American culture.

In an earlier era, when Jews were still struggling to acclimatize themselves to their new land, it would have been inconceivable for a Jewish businessman to buy The Atlantic Monthly. (Similarly, in Canada, the rescue effort mounted by several Toronto Jews some years ago to save Saturday Night magazine from oblivion would have been unthinkable before World War II.)

The fact that Zuckerman, the son of Montreal Jewish immigrants, was able to purchase the magazine says much about the nature of American society in the 1980s. No longer is the country the preserve of an Anglo-Saxon elite. The Anglo-Saxons play a huge role in the affairs of state, and their voice in literary matters is crucially important. But today, unlike in the past, other Americans — "hyphenated" Americans, if you will — have their say as well.

America, the refuge of so many countless immigrants from every which nation, comes closest to being a model of a pluralistic, secular society.

It is within this context that the sale of The Atlantic Monthly to Zuckerman should be viewed. The U.S. is a country flawed by religious ethnic and color prejudice, but it is also the country that has given its immigrants — Jews, Christians, Moslems, Hindus and atheists — the chance to improve their lives. And as a result, the U.S. has benefited enormously.

Jews, particularly, have taken advantage of the liberal democratic impulses that have usually prevailed in America. In such a milieu, the Jewish community has produced writers and scientists, doctors and businessmen. They, in turn, have enriched the country of their birth.

Zuckerman, born and raised in Montreal, moved to the U.S. after finishing his law studies at McGill. He, too, found the climate there conducive. And over the years, he built a $150 million empire of shopping centres, apartment complexes, hotels and office buildings from Boston to San Francisco.

The editors of The Atlantic Monthly are happy with the new owner. They have faith that Zuckerman will add to the integrity of the magazine. Such an attitude would have been uncommon 30 or 40 years ago, when anti-semitism was fairly rife in literary America. Today, the acquisition of The Atlantic Monthly by a Jew appears to be no more strange than the disproportionately large number of Jewish university professors.

America has changed, albeit gradually, and Mortimer Zuckerman's ownership of The Atlantic Monthly is just one more sign that it has.

Ahead of his times

Harry Abrams was a popularizer, a man way ahead of his times.

He founded Harry N. Abrams Company, the largest U.S. publisher of art books. At his death recently, 200 titles of his books were in print. The books he published — **A History of Far Eastern Art, Art Treasures of the Louvre, Paul Gaugin** and so on — were not meant for everybody. But if not for his enterprise, art books could hardly have become the popular items they turned out to be.

A native of London, Eng., Abrams founded the firm that bore his name in 1950, following a stint as art director with the Book-of-the-Month Club. He started the company with what was then the grand sum of $100,000. But, in retrospect, $100,000 was barely enough. "The only way we survived," he recalled, "was through our friendship with shippers, printers, binders." Abrams called them the unsung heroes of the publishing world.

An aggressive marketer of his products, Abrams revolutionized the business. Prior to his arrival on the scene, the marketing of quality and expensive art books had a strong elitist touch. "I applied merchandising techniques to what was once considered a rather esoteric field," he said in an interview.

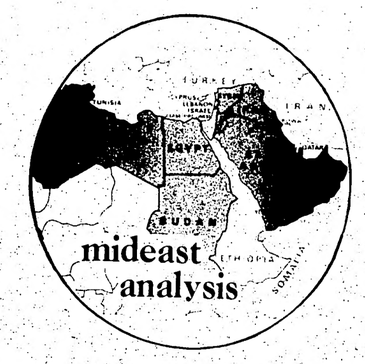
Abrams got record companies to use color art reproductions on the jackets of their recordings, and he persuaded General Motors and other companies to buy art booklets in the hundreds of thousands. He established branch offices in foreign countries and had his books translated into many different languages.

The books that rolled off his press were characterized by excellent color reproductions and superb text written by the leading authorities in the field. Bernard Berenson, the eminent art critic, was fond of saying that Abrams' books were the best offered by any publisher.

Thirteen years before his death, Abrams sold his firm to The Times Mirror Company of Los Angeles, staying on as chairman. But Abrams found the role confining. He left and founded Abbeville Press, which specializes in the production of art books.

Appropriately, Abrams was an avid art collector, and the gallery in his home was hung with the likes of Realists such as Jack Levine and of modern French masters such as Picasso and Matisse. He appreciated great art and he saw to it, through his publishing companies, that many others did too.

Middle East topic of prime concern in current U.S. presidential campaign



By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The presidential race in the United States is now under way in earnest, with a host of candidates — Democratic and Republican — vying for the support of the electorate.

Among the campaign issues being debated by the aspirants is foreign policy. And as has been the case since the 1960s, the Middle East ranks as one of the most topical questions.

With its vast reservoir of oil and its great potential as a market for American manufactured goods, it is only natural that the Middle East should be a topic of prime concern in a nation suffering from a growing energy crisis.

Washington, particularly since the fall of the Shah of Iran last year, perceives the Middle East as a possible focal point of U.S.-Soviet rivalry. To contain Soviet expansionism in the area, the U.S. must cultivate its relationship with moderate Arab regimes such as Egypt and Saudi Arabia and with Israel.

From Jimmy Carter to Ronald Reagan, there isn't a single candidate who can be remotely described as anti-Israel. Yet, judging by the debate being waged by the candidates, one might assume there is some difference in their respective positions on Israel.

In actual fact, the differences are blurred. Everyone running for the highest office in the land supports the territorial integrity of the Jewish state and favors the Camp David accords. If clashing points of view arise, they are of a minor nature. Israel thus has the good fortune of appealing to all the candidates, at least those in mainstream politics. Sharp polarization of opinion on Israel within the Republican and Democratic parties is practically non-existent.

Needless to say, the candidates attack President Carter for his policies. Carter, in turn, uses endorsements by Moshe Dayan and Israeli Defence Minister Ezer Weizman to refute the arguments of his opponents.

Each man in the race appeals to the Jewish electorate, even though Jews comprise a tiny, insignificant percentage of the population. Yet the Jewish vote is important. Jews are concentrated in key swing states such as New York, Illinois and California, and members of the community play a disporportionate role in fund-raising — factors the candidates cannot ignore.

In general, Jews view Carter, the incumbent, with a mixture of hope and fear. He is admired for having, almost single-handedly, engineered the historic peace treaty between Israel and Egypt. He is liked for approving massive economic and military aid programs for Israel.

But some Jews accuse the president of pursuing politics that could undermine its very existence. They say he is pressuring

New York Times

Ronald Reagan — Republican front runner

Israel to withdraw from the occupied areas. They say he seeks to dismantle Israel's settlements. And they say he wants to bring the PLO into the current autonomy talks on the Palestinians.

A couple of leading Israeli politicians would disagree with that sombre assessment. In an interview with The New York Times last Sept. 26, Moshe Dayan, then foreign minister, praised Carter. As Dayan put it: "Carter has done more and gone farther than any former president to bring peace between us and the Arabs, not only involving himself at Camp David, but also becoming a real partner, not only a mediator."

In closing, Dayan acknowledged U.S.-Israeli strains over a variety of matters. "They do criticize," he said, referring to the Carter administration, "but when it comes to practical measures to solve problems, they are very good. We have achieved first-class agreements, better than Israel ever had with the United States of America."

Last February, Ezer Weizman joined Dayan in endorsing Carter. In an Israel Television interview, the defence minister said he favored the president's re-election. Pouring cold water on Senator Kennedy's challenge, Weizman said his expression of support for Israel as a strategic asset was no more than election rhetoric.

Weizman's remarks prompted Israeli President Yitzhak Navon to accuse him of meddling in American politics. The Jerusalem Post, the unofficial mouthpiece of the Labor Party, noted: "Mr. Weizman's sorties into the American arena will have no practical effect. They will not tip the electoral balance one way or another, but instead of making friends, Mr. Weizman will only have won fresh enemies for Israel."

The likelihood is that Weizman's outburst will have no impact on the Jewish community, where Kennedy is fairly popular. One of his chief advocates is Rabbi Alexander Schindler, the former chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Oganizations. According to Schindler, Carter exploited "anti-Jewish sentiment for political purposes" in the heated controversy surrounding the resignation of UN ambassador Andrew Young last summer. The Reform leader said he had-

President Jimmy Carter

found in his travels around the country that "the antagonism to Carter is near-unanimous in the Jewish community."

In a riposte aimed at the Carter administration, Kennedy says the U.S. should not impose a settlement on Israel. Using the U.S.-Soviet Joint Communique of Oct. 1, 1977 as an example, the senator decries past attempts at involving Moscow in the Middle East peace process. He also believes the U.S. should sign defence treaties with both Israel and Egypt — a policy with which Carter would not really disagree.

Kennedy claims the Carter administration has a confusing position on the PLO, a charge that is open to question, since the White House has said all along it will not recognize that organization until it extends recognition to Israel and disavows terrorism.

Two weeks ago, Kennedy attacked Carter for the U.S. vote at the UN calling upon Israel to dismantle its outposts in the occupied lands. In an earlier interview, however, Kennedy noted that Israel had to be concerned with "security rather than land" — a code phrase meaning that Israel must relinquish territory (and settlements) in the occupied areas.

The leading Republican, Ronald Reagan, sees Israel within a Cold War context. "... our own position," he says, "would be weaker without the political and military assets Israel provides. Yet, American policy makers downgrade Israel's geographical importance as a stabilizing force, as a deterrent to radical hegemony and as a military offset to the Soviet Union."

Reagan claims that turmoil in Iran "has increased Israel's value as perhaps the only remaining strategic asset in the region on which the United States can truly rely; other pro-Western states in the region, especially Saudi Arabia and the smaller Gulf kingdoms, are weak and vulnerable."

He argues that the establishment of a Palestinian state and insufficient military assistance to Israel will inevitably weaken Israel and strengthen the hand of the Soviets. "Only by full appreciation of the critical role of the state of Israel plays in our strategic calculus can we build the foundation for thwarting Moscow's designs on territories and resources vital to our

New York Times

Senator Edward Kennedy

security and our national well-being," he observes.

George Bush, Reagan's sole challenger to date, appears to take a harder stand than Reagan on the performance of the Carter administration vis-a-vis Mideast policy.

In his opinion, the president is "vacillating" and "pulling back from commitments" to Israel. Bush says Israel is America's staunchest ally in the region. "We have not only a moral but a strategic interest in Israel's security," he told an interviewer recently. "Unfortunately, recent actions by this administration have made Israel uncertain about U.S. support."

Specifically, the former UN ambassador and CIA director infers that Carter is attempting to impose a compromise settlement on Israel. That, he warns, would "bring the Russians back into the Middle East equation." Bush also takes Carter to task for seeking to rewrite UN Resolution 242 so as to induce the PLO to join prospective peace talks.

In addition to George Bush and Ronald Reagan, the only Republican who has a chance — albeit a slim one at this point — at the party nomination is Illinois Congressman John Anderson. The consensus among observers is that he may outlast Bush but not catch up with Reagan, who commands widespread support.

Anderson's views on Israel are rather conventional. He is against a comprehensive settlement of the Arab-Israeli dispute, preferring Carter's step-by-step stance. But like Carter, he disagrees with Israel's policy of establishing settlements in the occupied territories. That, in fact, seems to be the view of all the candidates, whether on the right or on the left.

Much to Israel's relief, John Connally has withdrawn from the Republican race. He was the first presidential candidate since the Six Day War to call for an Israeli withdrawal from virtually all of the West Bank, Gaza Strip and Golan Heights, and to advocate Palestinian self-determination.

His "new approach" to the Mideast was repudiated by the Republican Party's national committee, leaving the way open for politicians who, in public at least, would not upset the delicate balance in U.S.-Israeli relations.

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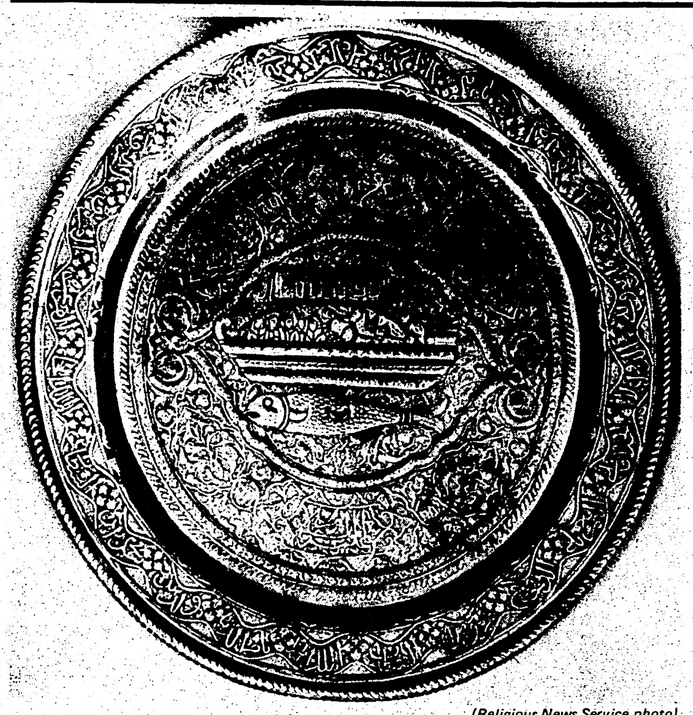

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HISTORIC PLATE

This brass platter with copper and silver inlay depicts Noah's Ark and includes Hebrew inscription of names of Noah and his three sons. It's found at Jewish Museum, N.Y.

Problem: find second seder in Israel

By CHARLES LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

Shvehr tzu zein an eed, as Sholom Aleichem said — difficult to be a Jew, and never more so than at this time of the year when the Ides of March signal the beginning of countdown before we are launched into the eight-day Pesach orbit.

The main difficulty, I suppose, is that the act or the art, if you will, of being Jewish is fundamentally the ability to make choices or decisions — particularly at a time of what is surely one of the most joyously symbolic occasions on the Hebrew calendar.

Now that the Jewish people have achieved the revival of Medinat Yisrael which is the direct result of the miraculous survival of Eretz Yisrael and Ahm Yisrael, one of the choices which any Jew who has ever been to Israel often faces, is the possibility of spending Passover in the Holy Land.

This is a decision which is not that simple, even though one would think, a trifle simplistically: What better place to observe so overwhelmingly Jewish a holiday as Pesach in so overwhelmingly Jewish a venue than the Land of Israel?

A couple of years ago, while on an extended stay in Jerusalem, I came face-to-face with the problem of adjustment faced by a Canadian Jew in celebrating Passover — even granted that these are not problems over which one should lose any sleep.

For one thing there was the matter of the seder or, more accurately, the two sedorim.

Although Jews the world over circle the 14th day of Nissan on the Jewish calendar as the first day of Passover, there is a difference in the time frame: In Israel the observance is seven days, and outside of Israel eight; in addition, in Israel there is only one seder on the erev or evening before Day One, while in the Diaspora, there are two sedorim.

For a western Jew from Canada, for example, spending his first Passover in Israel, the differences in observance, minor though they are, take some coping and adopting.

My problem, for example, was finding a second seder since I could get no Israeli expert to advise me whether a Jew who happens to be living outside Israel but is in the Holy Land during Pesach, is bound by the rules and customs of the Diaspora or Eretz Yisrael.

So it came to pass, as they say in the scriptures, that I found myself in Canadian Pacific's Plaza Hotel located directly opposite the seat of the Chief Rabbinate on rehov Melech George, no less, for the second seder which was conducted, I might add, with a dignity and decorum no more nor less than found at any second seder in the homes of Canadian Jews.

I should add, incidentally, that while the application of one-or-two sedorim for Diaspora Jews visiting Israel are pretty loosely applied, in fact the reason behind the differences between Pesach seder and length details, inside and outside Israel are, as can be expected, Judaically logical: Before the miracles of instant communications we have today, the holiday began on the eve of the 14th day of Nissan in the Holy Land; but because Jews were so widespread following the dispersal, the proper timing of observance was guaranteed by permitting an eight-day festival and two sedorim — known officially as Yom Tov Sheni Shell Gaiot, the second day of the Holiday of the Diaspora.)

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Many hundreds of North American Jews, it should be noted, have an entirely different problem — trying to decide which resort to patronize for their Passover holiday — a problem, of course, which does not exist for those committed to the Passover celebrations by the family within the home.

The travel section of last Sunday's New York Times, for example, was replete with the annual array of Passover advertisements.

At the Concord, directly under a bold headline giving the dates of Passover this year, there are large pictures of Molly Picon and Herschel Bernardi as the extra added attractions to the matzot and Hagaddah; Robert Merrill is featured under the caption "Celebrate Passover at Brown's." The advertisement of the Raleigh Hotel in the Catskills is particularly decorative: The top of the ad reads "Come Taste the Wine! Join the Fun! Come Celebrate Passover Holidays & Easter School Vacation with Us . . ."

Under all that the hostelry proclaims it "proudly presents the brilliant voice of Cantor Bernard Fitch" whose picture features and elaborate cantorial head-cover — entirely too elaborate to be described as a yarmulke.

The entire advertisement has a border of tiny drawings of matzot, candles, Haggadahs, kiddush cups — and Easter bunnies.

The question of choices, of course, is a phenomenon which has captured the world in the 60s and 70s, particularly, and who is to say that future generations of the Jewish young, middle-aged and beyond, will not synthesize this twentieth century trend to accommodate both their roots, their instincts and their intellectual liberation?

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Because Passover is a holiday so filled with symbolism that the Jewish home is virtually metamorphasized for the full Pesach period, the rules as we recall them, with the considerable romance of nostalgia, were strictly laid down and applied.

In the matter of Passover, in a traditional Jewish home, there was no cheating nor choices: Once the house was pesaching, it was unthinkable even before holiday officially began, to bring any non-Pesach food into the house which, incidentally, acquired a festive air unmatched at any other time of the year.

Despite the prevalent Choice Syndrome, however, observant Jews are not bothered or troubled by it, since for them the dinim and minhagim, the directives and customs, are clear and unequivocal, and applied today as faithfully as they have been for generations.

The same, of course, cannot be said at all times of other aspects of modern Jewish life, particularly during the festive Passover period in North America, where the significance and spirituality of the holiday too often takes second place to the North American holiday spirit.

One of the reasons this is happening is possibly explained in a new book by Alvin Toffler whose "Future Shock" some years back stunned the Western world as to the shape of things to-come.

Toffler has now written a book dealing with the change of the human species, as last Sunday's New York Times Magazine describes it, while "today's world industrial system is collapsing under the impact of yet another wave of historic change."

Toffler's article places a considerable measure of responsibility for this change on the phenomenon of instinct and impacting communications — so effective as to completely revolutionize traditional values.

"The link between communications and characters is complex," he writes, "but unbreakable. We cannot transform all our media of communication and expect to remain unchanged as a people. A revolution in the media must mean a revolution in the psyche."

Think about that when you are sitting at the seder, the first and/or second, in Canada or Israel.

Israel star of new thrillers

By ARNOLD AGES

It has been a long time since Arthur Koestler situated a novel in Palestine. It was in the 30s that he published a book which romanticized the exploits of valiant kibbutzniks caught up in the struggle against Palestinian Arabs.

During the war years and in the immediate postwar era, historical developments in the Mideast were so dramatic that no fictional account could approach reality. It is no accident then that the majority of books on Israel published during that period were of the non-fiction variety.

The same can be said of the first 20 years of the Jewish state. Thousands of books in dozens of languages have recorded the historical, political, sociological and scientific progress of the state.

The Israel of fiction during this epoch was almost uniquely a phenomenon related to Hebrew belles-lettres. The depiction of life in Israel was, however, restricted to a Hebrew-reading public. Very few of the major novelists have had their works translated into English.

Within the last five to 10 years Israel has come to occupy the attention of a school of writers whose products could scarcely be called literature. This school represents novelists who churn out fictional portraits of Israel or of Israelis which are intended to enhance the genre which they are creating.

The genre in question is one which I would call the international terrorist-espionage novel.

It would be easy to dismiss these hastily produced potboilers whose authors make no pretensions to high literary merit were it not for two facts: the scenarios in these novels are extravagantly imaginative, and, the books are being read by millions of English-speaking people.

What is also significant is the fact that many of the works in question are being purchased by film interests and have or are being considered as movie scripts. The image of Israel that emerges from this collection of fictional works is of more than passing interest.

In one such book which enjoyed wide popularity as a major motion picture, Israeli intelligence operatives, in pursuit of Arab terrorists intent on blowing up a football stadium, are portrayed as melancholic, tired men, who detest the metier which has been thrust upon them.

The plot of another of these terrorist-espionage novels has an SS officer take the identity of a murdered concentration camp inmate. The Nazi undergoes plastic surgery and finds himself in Israel where he apparently succeeds in passing himself off as a bona fide immigrant. In fact he is so successful in the venture that he becomes an honored hero in the military.

Representatives of Mossad are generally men of granitic integrity and charm. In one almost incredible scenario, the latter are passengers on an Israeli Concorde hijacked by ingenious Arab terrorists without the actual presence of the saboteurs on the plane. The Concorde is forced to land on a remote Iraqi airfield near a precipice overlooking the Euphrates river.

Israeli agents on the plane organize the passengers into a smoothly functioning army and they manage to fight off almost a batalion of Arab irregulars while at the same time they dispatch one of their own to make contact with an ancient pocket of Iraqi Jews still resident in the area.

If this is a plot which readers might find difficult to absorb then what would they think about a novel which features a group of Israeli commandos who stage a raid on the Aswan dam in a complex attempt to improve Israel's bargaining position with terrorist groups? It is sad to relate that in the novel in question a nuclear device is detonated and the Israelis are all killed. The scenario for this thriller was obviously confected before the Sadat visit to Jerusalem in 1977 and the subsequent peace moves.

Moshe Dayan, the former minister of foreign affairs in the Begin government is, not surprisingly, a fictional character in another terrorist epic which pits Arab saboteurs in the New York area bent upon assassinating the one-eyed general. Their plan is diabolically imaginative — detonate an explosive device under the Holland tunnel linking New York and New Jersey — while Dayan is in an automobile in transit towards a meeting in New York City. Needless to say, the plot is not executed and Dayan returns home to Israel.

War with Israel will last generations is ominous warning from PLO's Arafat

By MARJORIE EARL
[reprinted from The Winnipeg Tribune]

In one of his few recent commentaries not about Iran, Peter Jennings of ABC News said the United States ambassador to the United Nations, Donald F. McHenry, had visited Israel.

"He met leading Palestinians in the occupied territory," said Jennings. "Some of them openly support the PLO. A year ago even a secret meeting was unthinkable but recently U.S. officials have met openly with Palestinians.

"This is believed to be a move to start conditioning the U.S. and Israel to accept the fact that the PLO will have to be part of any peace settlement," said Jennings.

As far as the Israelis are concerned, one would hope this attempt at "conditioning" falls on deaf ears and stony ground.

Israel knows it must make some agreement with the Palestinians. It is the PLO Israel refuses to negotiate with and with good reason. Not only has the PLO consistently conducted terrorist outrages against Israeli citizens, it is pledged to Israel's destruction.

Andrew Young, former U.S. ambassador to the UN, resigned in August following disclosure that he had met clandestinely, and contrary to official United States policy, with a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization and had later given the State Department a disingenuous account of the meeting.

Three months later Young was quoted in a dispatch from Chicago as saying that "within 90 days Palestinians and Israelis will open talks and the Palestinians will recognize Israel's right to exist." He said he based his opinion on "instinct and drifts in foreign and domestic trends."

It must be intensely frustrating for Israelis and for Canadian Jews to hear high officials and supposedly well-informed journalists talking about Palestinian Arabs and the PLO as though they were one.

True, Yasser Arafat, chairman of the PLO, claims that his guerilla organization represents all Palestinians.

True also, he has enjoyed fantastic success since his emergence in 1865. Then he was a universally despised renegade and murderer. Now he has become a respected diplomat who can even negotiate on behalf U.S.

But he hasn't changed and nobody in the West should forget it. Here is a partial transcript of an interview he gave Feb. 11 to the Venezuelan newspaper El Mundo:

"We do not mind dying. I have married a woman — her name is Palestine. Peace for us means the destruction of Israel. We are preparing for an all-out war, a war which will last for generations. Since January, 1965, when the Fatah was born, we have become the most dangerous enemies that Israel has.

"We shall not rest until the day when we return to our home and until we destroy Israel. The unity of the Arab world will make this possible.

"The destruction of Israel is the goal of our struggle and the guidelines of that struggle have remained firm since the establishment of The Fatah in 1965. They are:

1. "Revolutionary violence is the only means for the liberation of the land of our fathers.

2. "The goal of this violence is the destruction of Zionism in all its political, economic and military forms and its expulsion from Palestine.

3. "Our revolutionary activity must remain independent of any party or state control.

4. "This action will be one of long duration. We know that the intent of some of the Arab leaders is to solve the conflict by peaceful means. When this occurs — we shall oppose it."

If these were the words of the leader of a ragtag band of guerillas, as the PLO used to be, there would be no cause for alarm. But they are not.

According to the Wall Street Journal, the PLO is a well-financed organization, making gains both on the industrial and diplomatic fronts.

Said the Journal: "It is a well-financed organization with growing international contacts whose diplomacy is beginning to outrank its violence as a political weapon. It has a budget exceeding that of many countries in the United Nations. It owns and manages businesses ranging from a Belgian charter airline to a Lebanese shirt factory. It has its own state department, welfare agency, hospital chain, national library, education department, think tank, press agency, radio network and tax collection system."

The paper says the PLO has 33 plants in Lebanon each grossing about $500,000 in annual sales and 12 hospitals with at least 100 clinics treating about 3,000 patients a day. The PLO's industrial conglomerate, called SAMED, developed, said the Wall Street Journal, to provide for widows and dependents of people killed in hostilities.

The WS Journal says the PLO has revenues of half a billion a year including aid from oil-rich Arab countries and taxes collected from Palestinians living abroad.

The Journal omitted to mention that the PLO also has a new homeland, Lebanon, which it has practically taken over after assisting the Syrians to devastate it.

The PLO also gets arms and support from Russia and the Soviet satellites. Anybody who thinks it is a friend of the West is crazy.

The West has one reliable friend in the Middle East and that friend is Israel. It's to be hoped that western diplomats, anxious to see light at the end of the oil tunnel, won't forget it.

Letters to the Editor

Discuss Croll's birthplace, Russian aliya

I am writing to revise an error that has crept into our press and reference books and unless constantly checked will, like so many errors, perpetuate itself.

In Beverley Stern's article on David Croll and his 80th birthday, Moscow is mentioned as his place of birth. I had seen this over the years in other sources and it has always puzzled me. The reason: very few Jews who emigrated to North America at the turn of the century came from Moscow. Jewish residence in Moscow — virtually a forbidden city to Jews then — was highly restricted in those Czarist days to a small coterie of wealthy merchants, bankers and professionals who literally had bought the privilege of living there.

It interfered with the image of David Croll that most of us had — i.e. the Horatio Alger tradition that Beverley Stern mentions, that he should come from the small coterie of well-to-do Moscow Jews who lived far from the Jewish masses (Sholem Asch describes them well in his "Three Cities").

Back in the 1960s when I was doing some Canadian biographies for the Encyclopedia Judaica I asked the Senator directly whether he was born in Moscow. He said: "Of course not, it was in Moghilev in White Russia," which is deep in the heart of the old Jewish Pale. But since he never corrected the error initially it was repeated in other sources which simply copy unquestionably and uncritically. Besides which, Moscow is a name to which newspapermen give instant recognition, not pausing to think of the historical incongruity or not being aware of it.

Another point: this is not the first time there are two Jews in the federal cabinet. Herb Gray and Barney Danson served together for a period in the first half of the 1970s.

B. G. Kayfetz,
Toronto.

In her delineation of Senator David A. Croll's many and varied public service achievements (Senator Croll — 80 years young, March 13) on the occasion of his 80th birthday, Beverley Stern omitted the Senator's current communal involvement.

Last fall, at a general convention in Toronto, Senator Croll was singularly honored by being unanimously elected as national commander of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada. The members of this organization, former military service men and women, remain today as front line soldiers in the continuing battle against anti-semitism, social and economic prejudices and violations of human rights. They actively support Canadian unity and the security and respect for the State of Israel.

As national commander, Senator Croll leads an establishment of thousands of Jewish veterans from across Canada and has brought to the organization inspirational expertise in the planning and execution of programs and activities geared to its purposes and goals. We are grateful to enjoy his leadership.

Jack Shayne,
Executive Director, National Command,
Jewish War Veterans of Canada.

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I would like to comment on the letter by Dr. Hy Goldman, which appeared in your issue of March 6, concerning the problem of Russian Jews in Montreal.

I would like to tell Dr. Goldman there is no question in my mind that had these Russian Jews gone to Israel (that being the place their visas indicated) they would remain Jews and not as Dr. Goldman states "may hopefully find themselves Jews." Whereas, in Canada, in my opinion, no matter what we would do for them, there is still grave doubt as to whether they will remain Jews.

I wonder if Dr. Goldman is aware of one of the greatest of mitzvot, which is aliya to Israel and settlement in Israel, because it is stated in the commentaries. (The mitzvah of living in Israel weighs heavily against all other mitzvot, that is to say, is equivalent to practically all mitzvot put together.)

If Dr. Goldman is looking for causes or problems to solve and is ready to blame the community leadership for the Russians who come here, I suggest that we have many causes and problems to look after.

a) What about the problem of more than 50% (approximately) of Jewish children in Montreal who are not receiving any sort of Jewish education?

b) What about the problem of Yordim?

c) What about the many in our Jewish community who do not give their due share to the community coffers or to Israel?

d) What about the problem of aliyah? It is a matter of greatest importance to encourage our youth and/or adults to go settle in Israel.

It is my sincere opinion that Dr. Goldman should not worry too much about people who chose to ignore Israel completely, even though Israel was instrumental in getting them out of Russia and are not prepared to give Israel even a chance to show them the possibility of settling well in that country. I don't mind if a Russian Jew goes to Israel and then finds that he cannot settle or adopt to the life, and then leaves for any other country of his choosing.

But to my mind, one's first duty is to go to the country that provided him with a visa and show the sincerity, goodwill and initial desire to give that country a chance, especially when that country has gone to great effort to provide an opportunity to the newcomer.

David Finestone,
Montreal.

Dayenu - we have reasons to be happy

By J.B. SALSBERG

This outpouring of the heart is being refined and modulated for the Passover issue of this illustrious journal. And, like never before, I feel the urgent need to begin with the traditional and cheerful greeting of, Gut Yontef (or gut yomtov) to you, my loyal and supportive readers!

Frankly speaking, I determined to launch this week's column with good cheer because of what I did to you last week.

What did I do? Do I have to tell you? I presented a gloomy picture of Jewish life at present that was only surpassed by the unseasonal cold and wind-whipped snowfall that prevailed when I sat down to communicate with you at that time.

The paper was no sooner in the letter boxes then I began to receive heart-rendering telephone calls from many of you pleading for assurances that the sun will yet shine over the Jewish sky.

I naturally assured all callers that I didn't intend to create a feeling of gloom in our midst. I succumbed, I suppose, to the effects of the weather and to the puzzling and worrisome picture of our scene on the erev-Pesach of 1980. This week, by way of amend, I want to proclaim from the housetops my thankfulness for Pesach. Let us all raise our voices in unison and cheerfully declare. Thank heaven for Pesach!"

Sure, we could stand a modern-day Moses to lead us out of the confusion and contradictions that bedevil our scene at the moment. We might even benefit from a modern-day Solomon. A bit of wisdom would go a long way now. But Pesach waits for no man and for no woman either. So here it is in all its glory and promise.

In contrast to a week ago this is written when the barometer is rising, the sun shines as only an erev-Pesach sun can, and my windows are open wide ready to welcome the spirit, the atmosphere, the triumphs and the promises of Pesachs past and Pesachs yet to come.

Welcome, welcome Pesach of 1980 or, according to the Jewish calendar, Pesach of the year 5740!

Knowing the sophistication of my readers, I'm certain that not a few of you will ask how things could possibly change so much in one week to justify my spirits to rise from gloom to optimism? The answer is of course, Pesach. Yes, Pesach is responsible for the change of mood.

In the traditional haggadah you will find a very meaningful chapter that is apropos to what I am trying to convey. The chapter I refer to is called Dayenu and is usually sung at the seder with much gusto.

Dayenu, in broad translation, means — good enough. And the Dayenu chapter suggests that even if the Lord had not done this wonderful deed but only the other great deed it would have been well enough. The Dayenu verse goes through the entire historic period from the exodus from Egypt to the building of the Temple in Jerusalem. In each instance the refrain is the same: Even if this had not been done it still would have been wonderful, more than enough.

And so, of course, Israel is under excruciating pressures; of course Israel's enemies have grown strong, rich and important; of course the camps of Jacob throughout the world are of many minds and of diverse views and the camp of Israel is also divided in views, in allegiances and in perspectives; of course many of Israel's old friends have wavered, have grown cold or have become hostile. But look what has, nevertheless, happened!

Jewish statehood — that was but a gleam in the eyes of dreamers when I was a child — has been a reality for almost a third of a century ago. Dayenu!

Jews who eschewed warfare or the use of arms for centuries became, in the struggle for national rebirth, a model defensive force. Dayenu!

People who excelled only in the simplest of useful occupations — tailoring, shoemaking, carpentering, blacksmithing, etc. — became builders of the most sophisticated of modern defensive weapons. Dayenu!

Jews who were denied access to agricultural land for centuries have become the most successful scientific farming community in the world. Dayenu!

Yes, and the reborn Jewish state has suffered greatly in the four official and the fifth unofficial war for its survival, but it managed to build up hundreds of new villages, town and cities within its borders. Dayenu!

Universities, scientific institutes, colleges, yeshivot and a network of elementary and secondary school system dot the land of Israel. Dayenu!

Yes, there were rivers of tears shed for the young blood that was spilled in the defence of the newly-won national freedom. But there are also waves of song that fill the air of the streets of Jerusalem, the crowded throughways of Tel-Aviv and the industrial and shipping lanes of proud Haifa. Dayenu!

And so, my friends, let's place all our worries, anxieties and differences with the chometz that we will remove from our homes for the week of Pesach. We will have time enough to return to them after Pesach.

For now, let's sing a song of welcome and of joy to Pesach, our esteemed, our most welcome of Jewish holidays. Chag Semayech!

Organizations and People

what's new

By MIRIAM HERMAN

PRAYER FOR SYRIAN JEWS

At your Passover seder do remember the special prayer for the oppressed Jews in Syria to be recited immediately after kiddush. Here's a copy sent in by the National Committee for Jews in Arab Lands of the Canadian Jewish Congress:

"Merciful God, on this night of Passover, our thoughts turn to the bitter plight of our brethren in Syria who have been robbed of their physical and spiritual freedom and whose daily lot is of oppression.

May it be Thy will, our Father in Heaven, as Thou hast brought forth our forefathers from the land of Egypt, from the house of slavery, may Thy abundant mercy reach our brethren in Syria. Bring this remnant of the Jewish People to the soil of a free country. Reward them, oh Lord, with the celebration of the Passover as prescribed by religious law.

Next year in freedom. Amen."

DOWNTOWN SEDER

The downtown Jewish community Passover seder is set for 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, at the Jewish Community Centre Bloor branch. All ages are welcome to join in the ceremony and dinner. For information and reservations, call Frances Adler at 924-6211.

VISUAL ARTS SEMINARS

The Koffler Centre of the Arts is presenting a series of visual arts seminars at the Jewish Community Centre north branch every Thursday in April.

Circle these dates on your calendar — April 3 from 1-3 p.m., artist-gallery owner Jack Pollock talks about **Art Collection: Pleasure or Profit?**....April 10 from 1-3 p.m., York University professor and artist Judy Singer discusses **Understanding Modern Art**...April 17 from 1-3 p.m., former Globe and Mail art critic James Purdie deals with **Criticism as an Art Form**...and on the 24th from 7:30-9:30 p.m. York University curator of art Michael Greenwood speaks about **Hill and Adamson: A Masterpiece by Chance**.

Series tickets may be purchased at the centre's registrar's office or at the door. Individual tickets also be available at the door.

For further information, contact Harold Glass at 636-1880, ext. 65 or the visual arts office at 636-1880, ext. 52.

LAWYERS FOR SOVIET JEWRY

Author and legal activist Robert B. McKay, director of the Program on Justice, Society and the Individual of the Aspen Institute, will address the Canadian lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry at luncheon this Friday, March 28, at noon in the City Hall Room, Sheraton Centre Hotel. His topic: **Human Rights in Eastern Europe.** The Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies is an independent, international, non-partisan, non-profit organization which considers "contemporary issues from a human-centred viewpoint."

Luncheon reservations are a must. The number to call is 977-3811.

OUR MUSICAL LEGACY

Also on Friday, the 28th, Temple Sinai's annual Yiddish Heritage oneg Shabbat program features Cantor Severin Weingort, music director Ben Steinberg and the temple choir.

FOR SINGLE PARENTS

The Jewish Family and Child Service has set up small informal group meetings for eight weeks covering topics of particular concern to single parents, such as — rights and responsibilities of custodial and non-custodial parents, the job of parenthood, meeting new people, special concerns, maintaining oneself as a person with own life to lead, relationship with ex-spouse's family.

A Thursday evening group starts on April 10 from 8-10 p.m. and a Sunday morning group on April 13 from 10:30 to noon.

Sessions are held at 3101 Bathurst St., 6th floor. For registration, information or a brochure, call 781-1592, ext. 244.

SUNDAY MORNING MEETING

At the Beth Sholom Brotherhood Breakfast and Tefillin Club meeting on Sunday, March 30, Dr. Martin Barkin, chief of urology, Sunnybrook Hospital, will discuss **Your Prostrate Gland — Its Problems and Solutions.** Services are at 9:30, breakfast at 10.

HOSPITAL OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, April 3, is the date of North York Branson Hospital's coronary unit open house. There will be guided tours of the new facilities which highlight the innovative equipment and the unique architectural design making every patient visible from the nursing station. The open house schedule for high schools, community colleges and special groups is 9-11:30 a.m., and for invited guests and the general public, 2-9 p.m.

MONTE CARLO 80

Monte Carlo 80, the Crusade Against Leukemia fund-raiser, is slated for this Saturday, March 29, at 8 p.m. at Thornhill Community Centre, 7755 Bayview Ave. All proceeds, including sale of candy, go to leukemia research. Tickets and information are available by calling 444-5555 or 494-2378.

SENIORS EVENTS

This afternoon, Thursday, the 27th, at 1, the Earl Bales Senior Place is holding a meeting at the Earl Bales Community Centre (in the park). This is the group's first meeting and all seniors are welcome to attend.

The Wagman Centre lecture series on Canadian politics continues this Sunday, March 30, with a talk on **The CCF-New Democratic Party** by Brad Adams, PhD candidate in history at the University of Toronto. The time is 3-4 p.m. at the centre, 55 Ameer Ave.

SINGLES TAKE NOTE

The Jewish Community Centre singles (ages 35-55) have arranged a party for Saturday, March 29, at 8 p.m. at the Variety Club, 17th floor, Westbury Hotel, 475 Yonge St. There will be dancing to the Bill Drew orchestra, surprises, prizes and a chance to meet celebrities. All proceeds for Variety Club of Ontario, Tent 28. For tickets and information, contact Marilyn Fenton at 636-1880 or 638-7788 evenings 6-9.

And on Sunday, the 30th, the JCC New Young Adults are having a play-till-you-lose squash program at the northern branch from 6:30-8:30 p.m. If you want to know more about it, call Harold Glass at 636-1880, ext. 65.

CALLING ALL POETS

The City of North York is now accepting applications for a one-year posting of Poet Laureate. The competition is open to anyone who is a resident of North York, or attends a North York institution, or is employed with by a North York firm.

This high profile position offers remuneration of one dollar per annum and the Mayor's medallion.

All interested are asked to submit two samples of poetry along with name, address, telephone number and titles of works to — Mrs. Anna Di Ruscio, director of information services, City of North York, 5100 Yonge St., Willowdale, Ont., M2N 5V7. The telephone number is 224-6084. Deadline for entries is April 30.

HELP NEEDY BRIDES

Needy Brides in Israel asks that you keep the organization in mind when doing your spring cleaning. This local group, which raises funds for Israel, is looking for merchandise for a sale planned for some time in May, the following types of items are needed — new or gently used children's clothing, art works, small appliances, children's equipment, household goods, tools, toys, sporting equipment.

For more information, call Debbie Lebovic at 789-2244 or Dorothy Klein at 789-5669, **after Passover.**

CONGRESS TELEPHONE NUMBER

Just a reminder that the Congress telephone number (that is Canadian Jewish Congress-Ontario region and Toronto Jewish Congress) has been changed to 977-3811.

ADMISSION TO AGO

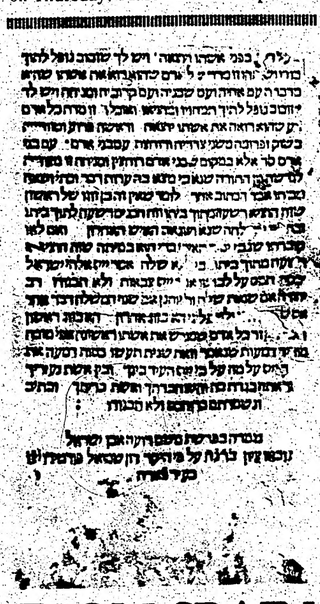
Although the Art Gallery of Ontario is changing its admission rates for the first time in over three years (due, of course, to rising operating costs) it announces that admission to the gallery will be free to everyone Thursday evenings from 5:30-9 p.m. The new admission charges go into effect April 1. They will be $2 for adults, 75 cents for students, and 50 cents for children 12-16 years of age. As always, members, Ontario senior citizens and accompanied children under 12 will be admitted free. And don't forget about free Thursday evenings.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Adult Literacy Program has an urgent need for volunteers to teach reading and writing skills to adults experiencing difficulties in these areas. No previous experience is necessary since a thorough training program, utilizing a variety of reading methods, is given. Hours are flexible and all required materials will be provided. If you are interested, call Volunteer Centre North York at 481-6194.

ASSOCIATED HEBREW ON TV

You can see a Passover Seder on Channel 10, Rogers Cable TV, presented by the entire Grade 8 Junior High students of Associated Hebrew Schools on Thursday, March 27 at 4:45 p.m.



FROM SPAIN

Facsimile page from "lost" Spanish Talmud, one of 550 such pages published by Jewish Theological Seminary of America. It's dated 1484-1497.

...about people

Peter C. Newman, editor-in-chief of Maclean's, has recently returned from a trip to the Soviet Union where he was a guest of the Academy of Sciences. On Saturday evening, April 5, he will be giving an account of his private meetings with Soviet Refuseniks and activists at a third seder at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, arranged by the synagogue's Soviet Jewry committee. In addition to Newman's address there will be readings and songs celebrating Passover and the exodus from Egypt.

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"One reason that I wanted to go to Wales is that Welsh is a minority language like Yiddish — and so the two languages share the same problems of a disappearing readership, and also of survival," says **Miriam Waddington** of her impending trip to that country.

The Canadian poet and colleague Al Purdy are the first Canadian participants in the new Canada-Wales Writers Exchange Program. Under the terms of the exchange they will visit Wales for several days of talks, seminars and readings, as guests of Welsh writers. At a later date, the Welsh writers will visit Canada for a similar period of time.

Waddington is the translator of a number of stories from Yiddish and of many poems of by J.I. Segal, Rachel Korn and Itzik Manger.

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Very much at home before the camera, having been a film extra in more than 20 movies, **Ethel Lawton** is host (and producer) of a half-hour show for television. "Expressions in Poetry, featuring four Canadian poets reading their own works, airs on Keeble-York cable, Channel 10, on Saturday, April 5 at 9 p.m., on Sunday, the 6th, at 10 a.m. and again on Tuesday, the 8th, at 5 p.m.

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And in another area of entertainment — Folk singers Chuck and Virginia are appearing at the Pinehouse (formerly the Noshery) on Eglinton Ave., Thursday-Saturday evenings from 9-12:30 and Sundays from 7-10. Torontonian **Chuck Ander** who plays guitar and harmonica and sings as well, has appeared in various coffee houses around town and Miami. His partner, a flautist and singer, hails from California. They have been a duo for about two and a half years.

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West Berlin's Senate has established a **Moses Mendelssohn** prize worth about $13,000 to mark the 250th anniversary of the German-Jewish philosopher. It will be awarded every two years to an individual who best expresses the idea of tolerance.

(Ben Lechtman photo)

A GOOD TIME

Bertha Dermer, Toronto Women's ORT president [right], drinks champagne to toast opening night of ORT's recent three-day multicultural art festival. Beside her are exhibiting sculptor Terry Berkowicz and York professor Howard Adelman.

Know symbol as indication of kashruth

Most Toronto Jewish consumers who observes the laws of kashruth are familiar with the local COR symbol, the poultry tag (plombe) and the sign at butcher shops and bakeries issued by the Rabbinical Vaad Hakashruth, Orthodox Division, Canadian Jewish Congress to all supervised and certified kosher products, services and stores.

Products from other areas in Canada or imported from the U.S., Israel or other markets, also display symbols which often create confusion for the kosher consumer. Recognition of the kashruth supervision from other regions requires some knowledge of the supervising organizations and the rabbinical authorities.

The Orthodox Division recognizes symbols of other supervisory organizations locally and internationally. They include the MK of the Community Council of Montreal; the (U) of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America (United States); the Chief Rabbinate of Israel; from England, the London Beth Din Zedec, Court of the Chief Rabbi, and the Agudas Harabonim of United States and Canada.

The Rabbinical Vaad Hakashruth, at its inception over a quarter of a century ago, agreed to recognize the continuation of three local supervisory authorities: Rabbi A. A. Price and Rabbi Dr. David Ochs (now supervised by Rabbi M. Ochs) and the late Rabbi M. Greenwald, now supervised by his Kehileh Torah Chesed.

There are numerous other symbols and rabbinic endorsements. It would be difficult for any organization or individual to investigate them all thoroughly. Therefore, the local authority has approved the supervision of those mentioned. This provides a large selection of products for the local consumer.

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Organizations and People

Selma Plaut celebrates 90th birthday April 1— she recalls the famed trial of Alfred Dreyfus

On April 1, Selma Plaut, mother of Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, president of Canadian Jewish Congress, and former senior rabbi at Holy Blossom Temple, will turn a venerable 90 years of age. Indomitable in spirit and energy, she just returned last month from a visit to Israel.

Below is an article written on Mrs. Plaut by Kenneth Bagnell, editor of the Imperial Oil's The Review magazine. The article is reproduced with the kind permission of The Review, Imperial Oil Limited.

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By KENNETH BAGNELL

(Margaret Stuart)

Selma Plaut

It's been a serious and anxious summer, heavy with worry about the future, and that is why I was glad, early on — on the sixth of June to be exact — to spend an afternoon with Selma Plaut, a lady who lives not far from our office and who, by virtue of example, is apt to make anyone think twice before giving in to a spirit of pessimism.

There was a number of reasons why this is so, but to appreciate them fully it is necessary to give, as they say in the newspapers, a bit of background. Mrs. Plaut is, as she herself puts it, more or less a victim of Hitler. She was born just about 90 years ago in Germany, in the town of Munster, which is only a short distance from the Dutch border. On Sundays, in Munster, the air was filled with the sound of bells, for while the population was not large, there were 21 Catholic churches.

Her father was a prosperous man, who in the late 1890s, she remembers, had cattle grazing on a dozen meadows. Her mother believed in the value of education and so, while still in her teens, the daughter, Selma, was sent to an academy in France and there took courses that, in time, qualified her in teaching. She came home to Munster, to her father and mother, to her large family of brothers and sisters, and then, in 1912, she married her husband, a young Jewish scholar, who was at the time rector of the local seminary.

Then, in 1918, when World War I was ended, he became head of one of the largest Jewish orphanages in Germany, and Mrs. Plaut served with him as his voluntary assistant, even after Hitler came to power and life for the Jewish people became a time of extreme anxiety. The Plauts lived in daily fear for their lives.

They had two sons, both of whom were able — largely Mrs. Plaut believes through the grace of God — to obtain scholarships to universities in the United States, which enabled them both to begin studies so that in time they became rabbis. (One, in fact, enlisted as an American chaplain and, in one of the sad ironies of life, visited his parents in December, 1944 — in England to which they had finally escaped from Germany — while he was on his way to the German front with the 104th Infantry, in the war against the nation of his birth.) Selma and Jonas Plaut ran a hostel for displaced German youth during the war and, in time — in the winter of 1945 — they were able to leave England for the United States where they hoped to make a new beginning.

But even here there was sadness: the sudden death of Jonas in 1948 and then, the death of one of the sons, Walter, still a young man and a rabbi in the New York community of Long Island. The other son, the elder of the two boys, was Gunther, then the rabbi in St. Paul, Minn., who in 1961 came to Canada, to Holy Blossom Temple in Toronto, where he was to attract a wide congregation as a preacher and writer and become one of the country's most respected religious leaders.

When Gunther Plaut came to Toronto, his mother also came. She was "the rabbi's mother."

Not so long ago Selma Plaut — for so many years the resourceful if retiring strength to her husband and her rabbinical sons — began a career of her own. She entered her 90th year and became a student at the University of Toronto in history and French. I heard of this from some friends at Holy Blossom, and — hoping I would not appear to be taking too much advantage of a friendship — I phoned her son and asked him if he had enough influence with his mother to have her grant me an interview. He did.

She is a slight, strong person with eyes that are bright and curious, the kind of woman you can describe as looking 20 years younger than her age and know you are still telling the truth. When we met I was anxious to ask her the obvious question: what led her, in her 90th year, to begin study at a university?

"All my life," she said in a calm and very organized way, "I've liked to learn. But I've gone through stages in my life — as my husband's helpmate, as the rabbi's mother — when, though I did many things that were satisfying, learning had to stay in the background. But then, when my son retired from his pulpit and began a new career (he is doing a scholarly work on the Torah), I thought perhaps I too might begin anew. I did not want a degree, as much as a chance to prove to myself that I was still able to learn. So, one day I went to see the registrar at the university and explained my wish and, in the fall of 1978, I enrolled in advanced French and modern Jewish history. I went to class on a daily basis, and this fall I intend to keep on going."

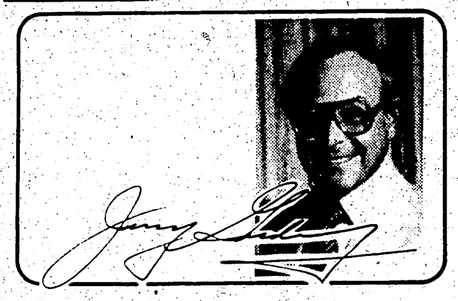
How, I wondered, did Mrs. Plaut, having lived so much of modern Jewish history, feel toward her new experience as a student of it? "Well, I can participate in the classes," she says, "from a rather special background." She recalls, for example, the famous Dreyfus affair, which began before the turn of the century in France, in 1894, when an army officer and son of a Jewish manufacturer, Alfred Dreyfus, was tried and found guilty of treason on the basis of evidence that was later seen to be flimsy and false.

His conviction resulted in 12 years of violent disorder, in which anti-semitism was inflamed and then, in the end, passionately repudiated. (Dreyfus was eventually freed from prison, reinstated in his position, and decorated with the Legion of Honor.)

Because she is a modest and self-effacing person, Mrs. Plaut is hesitant — resistant might be the better word — to discuss the fact that in these studies she has achieved an A standing in her essays and earned a credit for her history course. She is much more forthcoming talking, not of herself, but of her new colleagues, the students at the university. "I like them; I get along well with them; I am accepted by them," she says. "But why not? I talk with them just as I talked when I was their age. I think I can do that because all my life I have tried to make myself adjust to new situations — to the boys we worked with in Germany, to life when my husband was part of the 'underground,' to life in America when we came. You know, on the boat coming over here years ago, he said to me: 'Promise me one thing in this new world. Never criticize. Accept.' Some people might not understand it, but it has been helpful to me in accepting new ways and new people."

The material in this column was supplied and space purchased by the United Jewish Appeal.

Leonard Fine [right] seems to have the complete attention of his audience at the Lawyers' division cocktail reception at which Professor Irwin Cotler [next to Fine], was guest speaker. With them are Norm Schipper and Jerry Goldenberg.



Had anyone asked if there was a doctor in the house on the evening of March 18, the hallowed halls of 150 Beverley Street would have reverberated.

That was the evening of the first of a series of telethons run by the Physicians' group, and under **Dr. Fred Langer's** supervision (he's chairman of the division), it was one of the most successful ever held by doctors. Along with Dr. Langer were **Drs. Harry Krakowsky, Harvey Shaul, Howard Stevens, Howard Langer** and **Harvey Zimmerman.**

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Moving right along with telethons (we're busier than Bell Canada), there's been much action this week at UJA headquarters, what with the week-long pre-Passover telethons.

Tonight, the Young Executives take over, under "supermen" **Barry Tissenbaum** and **Sheldon Sper.** Their telethon track record has been unbelievably good. Keep it up, guys and gals.

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And on Sunday, April 13, the Women's Division is having a big telethon cleanup at the Cadillac-Fairview office.

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Even before invitations had gone out for the educational evening for, women in the Orthodox community, word of mouth has reached UJA that a very big response is expected. It will be necessary to have the meeting at two separate locations on two separate evenings. **Rabbi Yitchok Kerzner** has kindly consented to address both meetings. The first one will be held at the home of **Mrs. Jeanette Massouda** on April 16, and the second at a place and date not yet decided on.

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Members of the Magen David Sephardic Congregation will have **Maurice Corson,** national executive director of the United Israel Appeal, as their guest speaker at a breakfast meeting on Sunday, April 13. UJA chairman for the synagogue is **Maurice Moryoussef** and president is **Maurice Benzacar.**

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Both our thanks and congratulations go to the residents of Baycrest Terrace who have just completed the most successful UJA campaign ever held at the Terrace since it opened several years ago. Many of the canvassers are UJA veterans and have been involved for a number of years.

Special thanks to the twelve women canvassers who helped to take it over the top for us: **Fanny Applebaum, Bessie Baskin, Lena Dickstein, Annie Dillick, Sara Hiltz, Elizabeth Kestler, Ida Lovinsky, Jean Markowitz, Margaret Massarek, Sylvia Moore, Olga Tamas** and **Rose Wodlinger.**

And our thanks to all the residents who contributed so generously.

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We had a surprisingly good turnout last week from our Thursday Morning Club denizens, in view of the fact that it was the Spring school break week and many people had headed out of town with their families.

In fact, during the whole week of the break meetings and activities didn't let up.

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Students at Scarborough College ran a unique Monte Carlo event on campus during a lunch hour and netted more than $200, according to reports from **Jordan Griesman** and **Helene Westreich.** This was the first ever UJA happening on that particular campus. Organized by **Andrea Rosen** and **Janis Weiss,** it generated a great deal of fun as well as awareness of UJA. We hear tell that **Ron Nussbaum** gave an outstanding performance as emcee.

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We're grateful to the students at York University who helped out during this week's telethons. This is a busy time of year for all of them — pre-exams — which means hours of cramming. Maybe a bit of a break helps clear up the thinking processes.

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An official confirmation, just received, authorizes all walkathon funds raised this year, to go towards a sports complex which is being constructed in Mazkeret Batya, Israel. This will tie in beautifully with the Olympic theme I mentioned last week.

The walkathon slogan "Walk for the Youth of Israel," now takes on a specific meaning for our youth in Toronto. The money we raise will help develop Israel's future Olympic hopefuls and more important, provide a first-rate training centre for all types of athletes.

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CANVASSER OF THE WEEK— When asked how many cards he's covered in this campaign, **Alex Davis** replied: "Who keeps track? I do as many as I can." Since 1954 when he first became actively involved as a canvasser, Alex has probably created a record in card coverage in the Apparel division. He headed the division in 1964 and has never lost his enthusiasm or slowed down his efforts in the intervening years. If anything, he's more committed to UJA! Just keep doing what you're doing. Alex, with our blessings, to say nothing of our gratitude.

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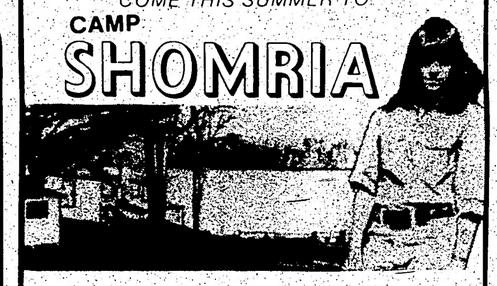

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By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Tzav/Shabbat Hagadol/Pesach 5740
Weekly Halacha: — All first-born male Israelites should attend Taanit Bechorim service Monday morning — if they don't want to fast.

Some saints have dreamed that the Messiah will come this Pesach. Is it possible? Of course — it is all up to us.

"Tzion b'mishpat tipadeh... Zion will be redeemed with justice, and her return will be with **tzedakah,** righteousness and charity..."

Reb Israel of Rizhin passed away in 1850. At his last seder, he was in a great state of excitement, repeating the passage "V'hi she'amdah," which describes the suffering of Israel, 60 times.

After the seder, he told his chassidim: "You should know, that there will come a time when the hatred of the nations to us will be so great that we will have to return to Eretz Yisrael simply because there will be no other place to go. Such a "forced" return will be a great shame — we went because we had to! But better a redemption with shame, than continued exile with honor..."

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The greatest exile is the exile of the spirit — when a Jew is cut off from G-d, and from his own neshame. The greatest galus is when one Jew doesn't feel for another.

Consider...at the start of the seder, we uncover the matzot and recite, "Hau lachma anya...this is the bread of affliction which our forefathers ate in Egypt. Whoever is hungry, let him come and eat!" What is the connection between our forefathers and inviting a guest to the seder?

But it teaches how one Jew should have consideration for the next one. A rich man invites a poor man to sit at his seder table. The poor man is embarrassed that he has to come to the kindness of others. So the rich man announces — "listen, this is the bread that my forefathers also ate in Egypt. We also were once poor. We also had to come on to the kindness of the Almighty. We are no greater **yichus** than you are!"

A poor man once ate at the home of a saintly rabbi and spilled his kiddush wine on the snow-white table cloth. The rabbi "accidentally" spilled his wine also — "Tsk, tsk, the table must be shaking," he commented.

The first mitzvah is to be a mensch — to feel for others. Always.

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We uncover the matzot and recite: "This is the bread of affliction that our forefathers ate in Egypt..."

But the statement is a bit of a problem — the Jews ate matzot on their way out of Egypt. They were in such a rush, it didn't have time to rise. So why mention in Egypt?

But — says Rabbi Yossef Ha'azuri — the truth is that even in Egypt, the Jews ate matzot, because it was the custom in ancient times that the servant class was fed matzot.

The brilliant Ibn Ezra describes how he was once captured in India, and fed matzot by his captors while he languished in captivity.

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At the start of the hau lachma we invite the needy to eat with us, and at the end of the passage we announce: "Next year in Jerusalem!" Why? But the only way that we Jews will be worthy of redemption is with the charity and kindness we do.

A poor man asked Reb Yoshe Ber Brisker whether he could drink four cups of milk instead of wine for Passover. The rabbi, realizing his economic plight, gave him a large sum for his needs.

Do four cups of wine cost so much?" his family demanded.

He answered: "If he wanted to drink cups of milk, it meant he didn't have money for soup or meat either."

May we always think with our heart, not just our head. Shabbat Shalom, a kosher freilach Yom Tov.

Mock seder for Russian immigrants

Fierce weather cuts attendance to minimum

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — Because this year's mock seder for recent immigrants from the Soviet Union coincided with the year's most bitter winter weather, attendance was small.

But in previous years as many as 100 would have come, anxious to learn, often for the first time, how to observe this ancient Jewish festival.

The mock seder, like the mass weddings, the seminars and classes to familiarize the Russians with Jewish traditions and practices were the idea of Carol Krames, director of Hamilton Jewish Social Services.

Carol Krames

In Mrs. Krames's view these immigrants are so ignorant of their Jewish heritage — not to mention life in a free society — that they might as well be coming from another planet. Since she took on her job in September 1976, she has made it her business to educate and integrate them into the community. She has resettled 105 families.

Her success has been such that Hamilton, with the third largest number of immigrants after Toroonto and Winnipeg, is now being held up as an example to other centres.

It didn't happen over night. There were plenty of problems and, as Mrs. Krames would be the first to admit, the Russians are not the easiest of immigrants. It takes patience, tolerance and understanding — the understanding, above all, that everything we take for granted the Russians have never experienced.

"First things first," says Mrs. Krames. "You can't start them off as soon as they've got one foot off the plane."

First comes learning how to shop, do the banking, look for a job and a host of other ordinary, everyday things. They also need to learn that they need not fear authority — "to them everything is government, that's why we have an open door policy" — and that their method of "the more you demand, the more you get," won't work here.

Once settled, their Jewish education can begin. Mrs. Krames makes it clear it is up to them whether they want to take part or not. She does not push them.

"Let them take their time," she advises. "We also grow in our Judaism," she points out and perhaps because she herself has undergone a similar transition, she is able to handle the Russians so well.

From a non-observant background in her native Philadelphia, where she obtained a degree in social work from Temple University, to Reform Judaism in the early years of her marriage to Lester, a psychologist at the Erindale campus of the University of Toronto, to Conservative and now membership in the Orthodox Adas Israel congregation.

The move came about because children Andrea, 11, Simma, 10 and five-year old Joshua are pupils of the Hebrew Academy and now "know more than I do." And so, she smiles happily, like the Russians, most of whose children also attend the Academy, "I learn from my children."

Although the immigrants are "thrilled to learn about Judaism," Mrs. Krames knows "It's going to wear off. But that is their right," she continues. "The important thing is that they learn. What I would like to give them is pride — and the opportunity to say yes or no."

Criticism that the Russians should not be helped and that they should be going to Israel anyway annoys her. "We can't expect them in Russia to have the same feeling for Israel that we have. Maybe by teaching them, they will eventually feel for Israel the way we do." Nor does she have much patience with those who complain that no one helped their parents or grandparents when they came here.

"But how many Jews did we lose because we didn't help them years ago?" She asks angrily.

Her aim is to turn the Russians into caring, participating Jews and already, she reports, those who are settled contribute to the welfare fund.

Mrs. Krames has the assistance of "a super staff," headed by "full-time, part-time" Anna Lalli and Galina Geller, herself an immigrant who now serves as interpreter and guide.

"Because we are a small agency, we do everything. We settle them, help them find jobs, provide family services. But personal contact is important. I want them to feel that the Jewish community is their friend."

Immigrants are 'a burden'

TEL AVIV [ZINS] — A recent poll conducted by the Pori Institute shows that the percentage of Israelis who are well educated and of Western origin think that aliya and immigrants are a "burden" on the country and not vital to its existence.

This opinion has increased to 25% from 13% in 1978, and 6% in 1976.

Asked if they would favor absorption efforts if it came at their expense, more than one quarter of the Western educated group, said no.

Asked if they would approve a marriage of their daughter with an immigrant, living in the same building with an immigrant, or sending their children to classes with one, both Western and Oriental groups viewed American immigrants as "most desirable." Only 4% opposed such contact with American immigrants.

But, opposition grows to about one fourth regarding contact with Russian olim, and to 80% regarding Georgian immigrants.

Prices up 32%

JERUSALEM [ZINS] — The price of a 3½ room apartment in Jerusalem was up by 32% in the last quarter of 1979, but rose only 5% in Tel Aviv in the same period. The prices were IL 2.5 million, and IL 2.1 million, respectively.

The Central Statistic's Bureau figures show that apartment prices last year were greatest outside of the country's central core, where they had gone up astronomically the year before. The highest increases were in the Haifa Bay suburbs, 202%; Sharon, 170%; Haifa, 162%; Jerusalem, 105% and in Tel Aviv, 96%.

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ACTORS BASE SHOW ON EARLY DAYS IN CANADA

TORONTO —

Actors often complain that they have trouble "getting into the part." That's a complaint you won't hear at a rehearsal of the members of the Baycrest Entertainers company as they prepare their latest live stage show.

They are a group of 50 men and women who are either members of Baycrest Day Care Service or residents at the Jewish Home for the Aged.

Their new show, "The Great Memory Machine - How I Came to Canada," is based on the recollections of the actors, many of whom were born in Russia or Eastern Europe 62 to 92 years ago.

(Graphic Artists photo)

Three members of Baycrest Entertainers practice new dance at rehearsal. From left: Sadie Jacobs, 78, Helen Sniderman, 62, and Brina Pinzer, who is 87.

Entertainer Minnie Wexler, 78, immigrated to Canada from Poland as a child. Although she couldn't speak English, she started school immediately and was soon fluent. She recalls, without bitterness, that settling in a new and unfamiliar land was often difficult. "With this show, we want to give the audience an idea of what we had to go through to climb the ladder," she says, smiling.

Actress Pearl Rakoff, 78, isn't worried that they'll run out of material for the script. She points out to her head and says: "That's some filing cabinet I have up there!"

Day Care staff member Anna Van Delman, along with J.H.A. group worker Pat Cohen, has been with the group since it began two years ago. Mrs. Van Delman says: "We've been building on the richness of their memories. All their previous shows have had a section called 'A Piece of Our Lives,' but this time the whole script is based on their reminiscences. They have really plugged themselves into history."

The sparks from that connection now can be shared with the community, thanks to a $13,155 New Horizons grant from the Ministry of National Health and Welfare that will enable the Entertainers to take their shows to nursing homes and schools. "How I Came to Canada" is scheduled for performance at Zion Heights Junior High School later this spring.

Besides traveling expenses, the funds will also be used for better costumes and props, lavalier microphones, lighted reading stands, taping of shows and hiring professional consultants.

Like their earlier production, "Chanukah 1979" and "Purim Schpiel 1980," that were performed only at Baycrest, the new show also features singing and dancing.

"Some of the performers have physical impairments," says Pat Cohen. "In the beginning that limited their participation, but that's changed. Whether or not the actor is blind or in a wheelchair doesn't change the fact that all of them are very proud to be able to give to others. They see their heritage show as a gift to the youth," she added.

The Entertainers group not only performs its own scripts, but also creates the choreography and design and make costumes. Many of them bring special skills to the group. Rose Galperin, a 76-year-old Day Care member, was an accomplished professional milliner who now applies her talents to costume design. Former bookkeeper Minnie Wexler uses her administrative experience as president of the board of directors of the grant. Several of the women are talented seamstresses.

The performers' backgrounds vary, but all of them approach their roles with a professional attitude. Proud of the hisses and boos he provoked as Haman in Purim Schpiel 1980, Michael Sandler, 68, had to forget that Queen Esther was actually his wife, Clara, 72.

There's a feeling of "family" about the group and, even at rehearsals, enthusiasm is high. Helen Sniderman, 62, explains why she became an Entertainer. "When I'm on stage I like to look out and see smiling faces and know that people are aroused and want to clap. I just like making people happy."

(Graphic Artists photo)

During a costume check, Nathan Litvak, 83, and Clara Sandler, 72, help each other. They're in "The Great Memory Machine — How I Came to Canada"

CONGRESS CALENDAR
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Apr. 5	Beth Tzedec Committee for Soviet Jewry. Symbolic Third Seder with the Jews of the Soviet Union. Speaker - Peter C. Newman, Editor, Maclean's Magazine. 1700 Bathurst St., 8:30 p.m.
Apr. 9	International Affairs Committee, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, in co-operation with Temple Sinai. A forum on "Politics and Anti-Semitism" with Dr. Israel Singer, executive-director of North American World Jewish Congress. 210 Wilson Ave., 8 p.m.
Apr. 12 -17	Leah Posluns Theatre, "Coming from a Great Distance", a Jewish theatre of life-size puppets, 4588 Bathurst St., call 630-6752.
Apr. 13	Mizrachi, Canadian Jewish Congress & Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. M. Gasner Memorial Lecture. Guest speaker, Rabbi M. Tendler. 470 Glencairn Ave., 8 p.m.
Apr. 13	Holocaust Remembrance Committee, Toronto Jewish Congress, "Out of the Depths." 37th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. Rabbi Dr. W. Gunther Plaut and Zvi Ferens, Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. 470 Glencairn Ave., 2:30 p.m.
Apr. 14	Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am, Holocaust observance with Allan N. Gould, "Viewing the Holocaust Today - Confrontation or Denial?". 55 Yeomans Rd., 8:15 p.m.
Apr. 15	T'Nach Study Group, Toronto Jewish Congress, Mishlai - Proverbs, Chapters 8 & 9. Lecturer, Prof. M. Lockshin. 3630 Bathurst St., 8:15 p.m.
Apr. 16	Yiddish musical comedy with Mary Soreanu and Yankele Alperin, "Rebecca, the Rabbi's Daughter", Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda, 100 Elder St., 8 p.m.
Apr. 20	Yom Ha'atzmaut community celebration and remembrance service, guest artist Ron Eliran, presented by Canadian Zionist Federation, Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave., 7:30 p.m.
Apr. 27	Second Encounter — all day conference on "Survival of a People", O.I.S.E., 252 Bloor St. W., 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m., 977-1330.
Apr. 29	Committee for Soviet Jewry, Ontario Region, Beth Tikvah Synagogue and Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University, guest lecturer, Prof. Irwin Cotler "First Annual Scharansky Lectureship on Human Rights", Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., 8 p.m.
May 1 - 4	Canadian Jewish Congress plenary assembly, Harbour Castle Hilton Hotel, Thursday a.m.-Sunday p.m.

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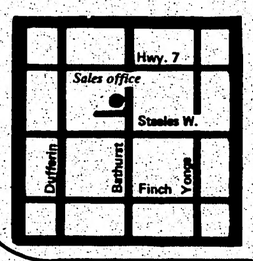

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Top cop had good relationship with Jews

By ANDREA PARKER

TORONTO — Retiring Metro Toronto Police Chief Harold Adamson feels he and his force have maintained a good relationship with the Jewish community during his past 10 years as chief, and community leaders agree.

Adamson, 58, announced his retirement on March 12, after 41 years as a policeman.

Ben Kayfetz, executive director of the Joint Community Relations Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith agreed that the Toronto Jewish community has had an "excellent liaison with police" and received their co-operation any time it was requested.

"We have been fortunate to have the service of this superb police chief...I have worked with him and he is sensitive and responsive to the needs of the community," said Judge Phil Givens, chairman of the Metro Police Commission and national president of the Canadian Zionist Federation.

Adamson said one of his greatest accomplishments since becoming chief of police — and he stressed it was a team effort — was "broadening of the police role to help various nationalities make up the cosmopolitan makeup of the city." He mentioned the creation of ethnic squads and improved training of law enforcement officers.

Adamson predicted Metro Toronto will be even more cosmopolitan within 10 years with a marked change in nationalities.

It has not always been easy for the police chief. "There have been a number of difficult times, including the one we're experiencing now." (Adamson was referring to the recent fatal shooting of Constable Michael Sweet.) He also mentioned periods of great unrest in the city such as demonstrations against the Vietnam War and over the police shooting death of Albert Johnson last August. Members of the Black community were angered over the death of Johnson and "Buddy" Evans, who was also killed during a scuffle with police in August 1978.

(Randy Winter photo)
Outgoing Toronto police chief Harold Adamson

Adamson said if he could change anything it would be to save the lives of all the police officers killed and of others killed by police.

In March 1979 controversy arose over an article which appeared in the Metro Toronto Police Association newsletter criticizing Blacks, Jews and homosexuals. Kayfetz stressed that the article had nothing to do with the police commission. He added he received a reply from Mal Connolly, president of the association, stating it would not happen again. Adamson apologized for the article later this month and said "...bigotry has no place in our society."

Adamson said most citizens are able to live with their brothers and religion should not create interference.

Police have met the problems of hate mongering and anti-Jewish vandalism "as best as they could," said Kayfetz.

He recalled that in December 1978, during the debate about the Statute of Limitations in Germany, there was a march from the Jewish Community Centre at Bloor and Spadina to the West German consulate on Admiral Rd. The police were informed about the march and escorted the group, even though they were not requested to do so.

Before Rosh Hashonah last year, many Jews, as is the custom, visited the cemeteries and cars were ticketed for parking illegally, Kayfetz continued. When the tickets were collected and presented to the police, the fines were waived. The police asked for a list of cemeteries and dates when people would be there so they would not be tagged again.

Givens said when notable celebrities or leading Zionists from Israel or the United States came to Toronto, the police were informed and a communication went out to all departments to be aware of the situation.

Deputy Chief Jack Ackroyd will replace Adamson on Aug. 1. The outgoing chief said "...(Ackroyd) needs little advice from me. He's quite qualified and he's a policeman of the 1980s with the talents and ability to handle any circumstance."

Givens said Ackroyd is "just about as nice and considerate a guy (as Adamson) and we look forward to the police force maintaining a tradition of law and order."

Ackroyd's record indicates "he is positive in relationships with others," said Kayfetz, "and before the announcement was made Black leaders told me they would welcome his appointment over some others."

Adamson, who joined the old Scarborough force in 1939, said he is retiring now because he had always planned to do so before the age of 60. But he had some straightforward advice for young men and women planning to enter the police force: "It's a demanding and dangerous occupation calling for hard work, drudgery and verbal and physical abuse. It involves sacrificing a great deal of time, working diligently, competing for advancement, developing abilities to the fullest extent and proving (one's) academic standing."

"The demands are great and the difficulties are rigorous" for a police chief, said Adamson.

Arafat was in Israel

NEW YORK [ZINS] — Yassir Arafat, declared in a recent interview with Life correspondent David Tunim that he visited Jerusalem three times since the Six Day War, and that on one of these visits he was almost caught by the Israeli police.

Arafat explained that he came to Jerusalem in disguise and that he had false papers. He reiterated his claim that the PLO members are not terrorists. "We are only defending our legitimate rights and we are fighting against an occupying force," he said.

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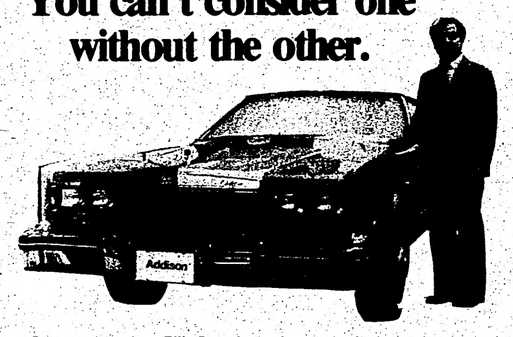

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1980: crucial year for Israeli tourism

By BARUCH SAVILLE

TEL AVIV —

All indications are that this year will be crucial for tourism to Israel from North America, in the opinion of El Al's board chairman, Buma Shavit.

Shavit, basing her views on a recent tour to the U.S., said the entire travel trade was "most pessimistic" in the wake of the world economic decline, rising costs, and continued higher and higher price of fuel.

Noting that last year only 221,000 tourists came to Israel from the United States — a decline of 1.5% compared with the previous year — Shavit anticipated that the trend will continue this year.

The decrease in tourism from Canada, was even more worrying, Shavit said, last year showing a 5.5% decline compared with 1978.

What is most worrying, Shavit noted, is that tourism from North America has not again attained the figures of 1972, when 264,000 U.S. tourists came here.

Reaction by the travel industry is mixed and the "air of depression" does not appear to affect some sectors.

A new wave of charter flights to Israel is soon to commence, at around $699 for the return New York-Tel Aviv flight — considerably less than group fares on the scheduled airlines.

More and more agents, have, in the last two years or so, turned to using Alia, the Jordanian airline to Amman and overland to Israel, the cost being considerably less.

With the air fare between Israel and Egypt set at $170 return, it is already seen that low-cost bargain flights from Cairo to the U.S. could save $200-$300. Agents are, accordingly, studying the possibility of similar cheap flights to Cairo.

One way or another, what is seen as most urgent, are new marketing and sales methods.

Cheaper flights, however, mean lower hotel room rates and some of the charter operators are making the most of the tourism decline by pressing hoteliers to the wall and getting "bankruptcy" prices for accommodation. The same is seen in tours. With more and more competition and less tourists, the tour operators are also reported to be giving under-the-table discounts.

One gleam of light showing through the tourism gloom is the growing number of tourists who will participate in two-centre vacations — Israel and Egypt. Already El Al reports that both the UJA and Israel Bonds have several thousand supporters lined up for this type of visit.

Another sector not letting the grass grow under its feet is Hilton International, which has two hotels in Israel with over 1,000 rooms. Hilton is combating the "signs of the times." Newly appointed are two sales directors, both Israelis who have been with Hilton for some time and highly experienced in "selling Israel."

With the backing of Hilton's entire regional sales force and the newly introduced "800 group sales," a U.S. toll-free number, travel agents, group planners, congress organizers, in fact anybody interested in Israel, can obtain instant information and assistance over the entire continental United States.

Dieter H. Huckestein, general manager of the Tel Aviv Hilton, who recently introduced the new Israel sales directors to the press and travel trade, said the continued talk of "tourism decline" is defeatism. The drop in tourism can not only be arrested, but with proper professional aids and promotion, can even be increased. "A decline," he said "is not inevitable."

Tourism increase

NEW YORK [JTA] —

The Israel Government Tourist Office announced that a record 300,000 Americans visited Israel in 1979, a 2% increase over 1978. Tourism Commissioner Israel Zuriel said this was significant in view of the overall decline of U.S. tourist travel last year.

A LIFT FOR PASSOVER

(Jacob El-Baz photo)

Three Israelis — a soldier, policeman and civilian — seek a lift on the side of a major road. Hitchhiking is popular in Israel, and Israelis of all ages and sizes engage in the past-time.

Israelis urged to tour Canada for the summer

By BARUCH SAVILLE

TEL AVIV —

Canada has come into the limelight as a travel destination for Israelis and 46,000 visited there in 1979.

Canada's popularity has resulted in a widespread promotion, in Israel, by the Canadian Government Office of Travel in co-operation with CP Air.

Recently, a seminar was held at the Tel Aviv Hilton for the Israel travel trade and the tourism press, sponsored by the Canadian ambassador to Israel, H. E. Joseph Stanford.

Wayne Mercer, director of the travel office's overseas marketing division, presented a splendidly produced film "Summer Vacations in Canada," which received much appreciative applause from those present.

From the outset of the film, it was apparent few realized that the weather in Canada, in summer, was hot with brilliant sunshine. To quote Mercer, "Canada has sunshine like in Honolulu and its waters in places like Prince Edward Island are as warm as the waters of Florida . . . it's the great outdoors close to the great indoors."

With the realization that North America, generally, is now cheaper for vacations for Israelis than Europe, the CGOT, working in close co-operation with the delegations and CP Air, has intensified its European promotional efforts.

The general manager of the Tel Aviv Hilton, Dieter Huckestein, who together with Hilton's Canadian sales office promote incentive travel from Canada to Israel, was amazed to learn, as were all others, that a Lion's convention in Montreal was attended by some 35,000 participants.

Another surprise from Mercer was his announcement that relative to size, Israel was Canada's best source of visitors, more so even than the United Kingdom.

Mercer told CJN that with tourism one of Canada's most important industries — the largest employer and fourth largest earner of foreign revenue — his office was going all out to ensure that more and more Israelis will travel to Canada and experience its many attractions.

Al Haziza, CP Air regional director for Europe, Africa and Middle East, noted that while awaiting the renewal of the direct air link between Israel and Canada, cut some three years ago for economic reasons, CP Air was working in close co-operation with El Al. He hoped that when adequate facilities are available El Al will eventually be able to operate to Toronto.

Haziza said that CP Air new generation wide-bodied Boeing 767-200 aircraft, of which his company had ordered four with options for an additional four, would enable CP Air to expand even more its contribution to Canada's tourism development.

TECHNION MEETING

New members of the Toronto board of Technion Society get together to discuss the Haifa-based university. From left: Tim Pervin, George Preger Jack Chisvin [Toronto president] and hosts Jack and Freda Hahn. At right is Alex Glassman. Amos Horev, president of the Technion, was present at the function.

Ski instructor in Israel hails from Hamilton

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

When Faye and Moishe Leibtag went to Israel recently, they carried with them a pair of skis.

But unlike the Texan who arrives at the Canadian border in mid-July and asks "where's the snow?" the Leibtags knew what they were doing.

Their son Richard had just become head ski instructor on Mount Hermon and sent out an SOS for his equipment. He simply hadn't thought, when he went to Israel a year ago, to take his ski equipment along.

"So we had to shlepp skis, boots, ski suits, the lot," said Mrs. Leibtag, a mother of five and some experience of children, and even snow, in Israel. But nothing quite like this.

19-year old Richard's ulpan at kibbutz Degania Bet, she explained, had just finished when he happened to see an advertisement in the paper for the job of head ski coach on Mount Hermon.

As a former ski tour leader with Majestic Travel in Toronto who used to take ski tours to Quebec, he was well qualified and got the job.

But although the Israelis may want to learn to ski, when it comes to snow, they're pretty inexperienced, noted Mrs. Leibtag. "They had a lot of snow this year but they're really not set up for it."

As it happened, the Leibtags were in Israel about 10 years ago when Jerusalem had its first snowfall in something like 30 years. "It was only the slightest snow but the whole place came to a standstill," recalls Mrs. Leibtag.

The weather appears to be changing and snow in Israel is no longer as uncommon as it used to be, so the Israelis may yet learn to how to cope with the white stuff.

And Richard, who hasn't quite made up his mind about what he wants to do in the future, may want to lead ski tours to Israel one day instead of to Quebec!

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Elderly Israelis, shielded from sun's rays by wall, engage in chit-chat

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SECOND SECTION

Members launched many community services

Toronto lodge will celebrate 60th birthday

By BEVERLEY STERN

The granddaddy of all B'nai B'rith lodges in Ontario is Toronto Lodge. Started in 1919 from a mixed bag of workers and students, it sired generations of members who became judges, mayors, philanthropists, professionals and successful business men plus an incredibly long list of active community leaders.

It was also the fertile civic minds of Toronto Lodge members that inspired the Toronto Hebrew Free Loan Society, the Anti-Defamation League, Camp B'nai B'rith, Hillel House, AZA and the merging of public fund-raising — to name but a few of its accomplishments.

In its heyday in 1948, it had 2,400 members, and from this number, six new lodges were spun off.

In this issue, The Canadian Jewish News shares some memories of the early days with members of Toronto Lodge which will celebrate its diamond jubilee or 60th anniversary May 24 — actually one year late — but better late than never!

The year 1919 was the year Alcock and Brown flew the first flight across the Atlantic.

It was also one year after a World War which destroyed 10 million lives and uprooted Jews all over eastern and western Europe.

In Toronto, returning servicemen were greeted at Union Station by Mayor Tommy Church with a wild wave of his straw hat.

In Toronto, that same year, 68 Jews got together to form Toronto Lodge of B'nai B'rith.

In telling the story of the lodge in its Golden Jubilee Digest 11 years ago, Toronto's "Mayor of all the People" for seven successive years, Nathan Phillips, recalled a blustery wintry day in 1919 at the King Edward Hotel.

"A group of us got together to talk about forming a social service organization which would invite all Jews in the community, no matter where they came from, and no matter what their religious preferences were."

As far back as 1875 there actually was a B'nai B'rith lodge in Toronto, but it expired in 1894 for reasons unknown, said Phillips, who was a charter member of the lodge and its president in 1922.

"We decided that the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith — which had a record of 75 years of outstanding service to Jewish causes — was the proper vehicle for our purposes," said Phillips.

And so, on March 10, 1919, Toronto Lodge No. 836 was formed.

One of its first services to the non-Jewish community was the dedication of a cot in the Hospital for Sick Children.

But for the Jewish community, itself, the first task was of a different order.

"It was not uncommon to see signs in hotel and recreational areas saying "No Dogs or Jews Allowed," said lawyer Carl Keyfetz, a Toronto Lodge president in 1939.

While there was no problem for Keyfetz entering university law school, he said that most Jewish university graduates couldn't get employment with non-Jewish employers.

"I was one of the few Jewish boys in a non-Jewish office called Cameron, Gordon and Nesbitt. Nesbitt was a friend of the family," Keyfetz explained.

Ex-Toronto mayor Nathan Phillips [right] gets together with Toronto Lodge members on the occasion of 95th birthday of Norman Creed [second from right].

Alexander Lipson, a dentist, and Toronto Lodge president in 1949, had similar memories. "It was no problem getting into dentistry," he said. "But some of the professors were extremely anti-semitic.

Both Lipson and Keyfetz recalled the difficulties for employment for Jews particularly in Toronto's two largest department stores, Simpsons and Eatons in the early 20s.

Hotel, recreational areas and real estate also practiced overt and covert discrimination.

Even as late as 1945, when Lipson, returned from the war as a major in the Canadian army, he found real estate salesmen who wouldn't sell to Jews.

It was out of this set of circumstances that the Anti-Defamation League was born in 1920. From that date and until and after 1938 when it joined with Canadian Jewish Congress that anti-defamation activities embraced such tactics as lobbying, and pressing for for fair practices legislation is employment, housing and public places.

ADL also urged consumer boycotts.

"In the late 1930s," recounted Keyfetz, "Jewish women were told to cancel their accounts with Eaton's because it would only hire Jews in the factories but not in the stores. When the Eaton's manager was informed that Jewish women were all going to cancel their accounts, the policy was changed."

A similar tactic with a large nationwide candy chain, however, did not work.

One year after ADL started, Toronto Lodge turned its attentions to youth. City recreational areas were minimal, and for many youngsters, life in the city was a dismal, sweltering experience.

"They needed some relief, and we tried to give it them," recalled Murray Ehrlick, a 1953 Toronto Lodge president, and chairman of Camp B'nai B'rith for 10 years.

On the shores of Lake Couchiching in 1921, Toronto Lodge built its first camp to accommodate about 150 youth, ages 7 to 16. Rotating camp periods of two weeks gave thousands a chance to escape city streets, and a chance to experience a summer of sports and recreation within a Jewish environment.

Ehrlick stressed that although many campers couldn't afford the fees and were on scholarships, the camp policy was to also bring in those who could.

Lipson, a past president of Jewish Camp Council, who was also involved with Camp B'nai B'rith, stressed that "the policy was to integrate rather than separate kids from different socio-economic backgrounds."

"We tried to give the best," Lipson maintained. "And from the beginning," he said, "B'nai B'rith had cabins and indoor toilet and shower facilities."

Lipson said the entire B'nai B'rith camp was eventually gifted to the Jewish Camp Council.

A year later, 1922, a postwar depression hit Toronto, putting production into a slump and throwing many out of work. It was a taste of what was to come. For many Jews in those days, the only beacon of hope was the Toronto Hebrew Free Loan Society (THFL), started in 1922.

Many Toronto residents still remember TFHL as the institution which paid for the coal for their furnaces.

"The banks wouldn't loan to newcomers in those days," says Jack Kosoy, treasurer of the THFL for the last 15 years. Although just a young boy when THFL was formed, Kosoy recalls the reputation that THFL had.

"In the early 20s, the society gave free loans for everything from starting a business to paying for clothing, rent, food and coal for the furnaces.

"A lot of pedlars got loans to buy a horse and wagon. The most popular form of business for most Jews to start in those days was a drygoods store and THFL helped many of those businesses start."

Kosoy reveals that "there was never a problem collecting. People were so proud in those days. If they took a penny, they rushed to pay it back as soon as they could.

"Some loans paid off handsomely," he continued. "People didn't forget we helped them. We gave Isaac Saltzman $500 to start a cartage firm during the Depression. Over the years his firm prospered, and he paid back much more than he ever got.

"A family by the name of Kirschner couldn't even pay for food or rent. Kirschner's sons who later became very wealthy, gave us money for years."

Today, the THFL still operates. Its funds, not only come from the Toronto Jewish Congress and United Way but also from grateful one-time debtors who still make donations and remember THFL in their wills and estates, according to Kosoy.

By the middle of the 20s, with its record of public service, Toronto Lodge had earned a solid image in the community.

So well regarded had it become, by its non-Jewish peers, that in 1924 it got top luminaries in the national community to attend a function called Canada night. Wearing their best bib n' tucker that night were former Canadian prime minister Arthur Meighen, Ontario lieutenant-governor Henry Cockshutt, Chief Justice William Mulock plus spokesmen from the Catholic and Protestant communities.

"Toronto Lodge began to develop a reputation for being the intelligentsia of Toronto Jews," said current president of Toronto Lodge, Joel Morganstern. "Its membership grew, and it attracted men who consistently became leaders in the community, such as J. Irving Oelbaum, Lou Herman, Nathan Perlmutter, Isador Marcus — just to name a few."

When the stock market crashed in 1929, and in the years that followed, most communal service agencies, including Toronto, found themselves beseiged with calls for help.

The Toronto Hebrew Free Loan society borrowed from the bank, at some ridiculously low rate of about 2%, to keep heads above water.

One of the knocks on THFL's door in the early 30s was Canadian Jewish Congress. Businessman and former Toronto lodge president, Sam Kaufman, on behalf of the Lodge's executive, personally went to the bank to obtain notes guaranteeing the operational expenses of Congress for many years, according to Montague Raisman, who was Toronto Lodge president in 1938.

When shortage of funds clashed head on with growing financial demands and squeezed Jewish fund-raising organizations to the hilt, two Toronto Lodge brothers, Ben Sadowski and Bernie Vise made the first public announcement of the merging of all local fund-raising into the United Jewish Welfare Fund. The first UJWF workers came from Toronto Lodge.

Before the era of the dirty 30s had ended, Toronto Lodge, under the chairmanship of Montague Raisman, had started job and aptitude testing of hundreds of high school students.

Career conferences, as they were called, with their implicit roles in the direction of job counselling and placement, became the forerunner for Jewish Vocational Services.

With the outbreak of war in 1939, the Depression was eclipsed by a spectacular rise in industrial war production.

With other B'nai B'rith lodges, Toronto Lodge now turned its attentions to a totally new constituency, the Jewish servicemen. A guiding light behind the local servicemen's centre in Toronto was Leon Weinstein, owner of a chain of supermarkets.

In the three years following the end of the war, Toronto Lodge membership escalated to 2,400 members.

A forerunner of so many community services, it now stood poised to become the parent of new Toronto lodges — among them, Upper Canada, Empire, Eglinton, Manor-Metropolitan, Sportsmen, Forest Hill and La Fraternite.

Much work still lay ahead.

On the local scene, AZA for Jewish boys, Hillel foundations on university campuses; nationally and internationally, Israel would increasingly become the focus of its energies.

In looking over the last 60 years, current president Joel Morganstern told The Canadian Jewish News: "Toronto Lodge was the forerunner of many Jewish institutions in Toronto. But as we approach our 60th anniversary, it is not enough to be content with nostalgia alone. We owe ourselves an accounting of our state of creativity."

Carl Keyfetz, war veteran and former Toronto Lodge president [left], and Toronto alderman Phil Givens, plant a wreath at the annual armistice day ceremonies at Toronto City Hall. Givens later became mayor.

Current Toronto Lodge executive secretary Sam Bernstein [far right] leads chamber music group in 1960s.

Toronto Lodge members turned out in force to honor Annie Garfield on her 100th birthday at Baycrest.

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Dressed in white, these girls at Camp B'nai B'rith get ready for the sabbath.

Boys will be boys, or so they say. Campers and counsellors at Camp B'nai B'rith have a bit of fun.

Arts

(Ben Lechtman photo)

Temy Kernerman's Nirkoda Israeli Dancers go through their routine at ORT's multicultural festival.

ORT holds 3-day celebration to mark 100 years of service

TORONTO —

ORT threw a three-day birthday party last week celebrating 100 years of service at the Civic Garden Centre in Edwards Gardens.

At a multicultural art festival attended by members of the provincial government, artists and Toronto's polyglot ethnic community, ORT served champagne and crepes, sold and auctioned art, brought together dance ensembles, and conducted a variety of lectures, demonstrations and panel discussions on art.

According to Bertha Dermer, Toronto ORT president, "the festival was the best way to bring ORT's name before the community at large."

The festival was held in conjunction with Operation Lifeline (OL), the Toronto-based organization set up to meet the needs of Vietnamese refugees across Canada.

Operation Lifeline coordinator, Kayleen Saiphoo, told The Canadian Jewish News that in return for manning the exhibits and providing the volunteers, especially over the Shabbot, OI got a percentage of the ticket sales to the three-day event.

"We are flattered to be 'adopted' by this very prestigious organization (ORT) for this festival," said one of OL's leading spokesmen, Howard Adelman.

Adelman, a philosophy professor from York University who spent a sabbatical year in Jerusalem, remarked that he always took visitors to see the ORT school in Jerusalem.

"ORT draws its inspiration from helping others," he said. "Operation Lifeline operates on the same premise."

Over 15 ethnic groups were represented in the art show which included works from Eskimo, Indian, Polish, Serbian, Rumanian, Hungarian and many other artists.

Robert McPhee, who represented Reuben Baetz, provincial minister of culture and recreation, said the multicultural festival reflected "the true nature of Canadian society and the cosmopolitan mix of Toronto."

Festival chairperson was Gilda Tyber, and honorary chairperson was Gail Green.

The festival was held under the patronage of Hon. Pauline McGibbon, lieutenant-governor of Ontario.

A preview of the 180 pieces of art, including paintings, graphics and sculpture opened a week earlier at the home of Louise and Murray Cornblum.

Conductor wins rave reviews

By RUTH KAHANE

OTTAWA —

National Arts Centre Orchestra guest conductor Rudolph Barshai won rave reviews for his three Ottawa concerts, with each performance a reaffirmation of his right to artistic freedom.

Barshai is a Soviet Jewish immigrant, who three years ago received a permanent exit visa to leave his home in Moscow for Israel.

Though he and his wife make their home in Switzerland today, while Barshai travels throughout Europe to conduct, he is the permanent conductor of the New Israel Orchestra, and he expresses a deep bond with Israel.

In an interview before his last concert, Barshai spoke of artistic repression in Russia, the incomprehensibility of jailing Soviet Jewish dissidents, and how tired he is of talking about questions of his personal life, such as what country's citizenship he has today.

Barshai, a lithe, animated 55, looks back on the treatment of Russian Jews with his heart, rather than his intellect, repeatedly stating in Russian that he "doesn't understand why" Russian treatment of dissidents, nor Russian actions in world politics today are as they are.

"It is difficult to understand even for one born in the Soviet Union, as difficult to understand as why the Soviet troops are in Afghanistan," he told reporters through an interpreter, a young Russian Jewish immigrant living in Ottawa.

Barshai said he thinks Soviet anti-semitism today "smells of oil a bit." Anti-semitism has an "international nature," and is not any stronger in the Soviet Union than say, Germany, today, except that in Russia it is sanctioned and organized by the state, he said.

"This phenomenon is still alive in human beings and is happening all over the world," he added.

In Russia the treatment of Jews represents a move in a political chess game with the United States, and the Jews are paying the price as scapegoats, he said.

Barshai explained that he went to Israel because he felt he had an obligation to that country." If Israel didn't exist I couldn't have had the artistic freedom I got. I think every Jew has to help that country, which is trying to take responsibility for the fate and lives of a people persecuted for 2,000 years.

"In spite of the fact that I work mainly in Europe now, I think I have some obligation to help this country in any way I can. That is why I accepted the offer to conduct in Israel."

Barshai said one of the high points of conducting in Israel has been to take the New Israel Orchestra to play in kibbutzim. It gives him a lot of "satisfaction because they are a wonderful people — people who work very honestly and hard and are trying to make true great ideas."

Barshai came to Israel in 1977 after leaving Russia, where he founded and conducted the Moscow Chamber Orchestra, to build the Israel Chamber Orchestra into a symphony about the size of Ottawa's National Arts Centre Orchestra. Two thirds of the New Israel Orchestra is comprised of immigrants while one-half that number are Russian Jewish immigrants.

Following his concerts in Ottawa, Barshai goes to Brussels to conduct, and then on to Tel Aviv for NIO rehearsals.

Barshai's time since 1977 has been spent as a guest conductor for some 20 orchestras throughout the world. This is his first tour to North America.

This tour of activity is in marked contrast to the lack of freedom he suffered in Russia, where the Gos Koncert office (state concert ministry) directed him "where to go, when to go and what to do."

He and many other conductors and Russian performers could never be sure when they were to guest conduct in another country, or whether or not they would actually be allowed to go through with any tour.

Barshai recounted one incident where he was to leave for a foreign tour in the morning, and the night before was phoned by the minister of culture and told "unfortunately you will not be able to go tomorrow."

"No one can be sure, even after the departure of the train, of whether or not he will arrive at his destination to perform...even in socialistic countries," Barshai recounted.

Barshai was not an active Soviet dissident, and even today, does not like to discuss political questions. "I am only a musician," was his way of saying "pass" to many questions the Canadian media directed to him.

Holocaust study has new angles

books

By MARSHA EINES

Accounting for Genocide
By Helen Fein
Collier-Macmillan Can. Ltd.
$21

The tremendous amount of excellent literature on the Holocaust presents contemporary historians with a formidable challenge. In **Accounting for Genocide,** Helen Fein, a political sociologist, earns herself a place among the foremost of those who have tackled this perennially tormenting subject.

Fein approaches her topic in a highly original manner. In the prologue, she states: "It seemed to me that to understand the implications of the Holocaust, one had to understand its success, which has too often been taken for granted. To think about the unthinkable productively, it is better to start out with right questions than to give facile answers."

Fein definitely poses the right questions, in a way that is thoroughly engrossing. Why, she asks, were the potential counterforces against the will of Germany so passive? How can we understand the Allies' belated recognition of the terrible threat that hovered over all Jewish lives in pre-World War II Germany? When the Allies did acknowledge the ongoing extermination, their actions did not extend to strategies which might have saved untold numbers of victims. How do we interpret the causes and consequences of Allied policies?

Fein does not confine herself to Germany. Her exploration encompasses Jewish response in three communities: Warsaw, the Netherlands and Hungary. In this way, Fein shows the interaction between threat, defence and ultimate defencelessness of the Jews, once they were placed in isolation.

She further reveals the significance of the Germans' campaign against the Jews by placing the Holocaust within a historical/sociological framework.

How, for example, does the Holocaust compare to an earlier genocide — the Turks' extermination of the Armenians in 1915? Or to Germany's planned extermination of the Gypsies?

Combining history with sociology, Fein brings to her work various aids — graphs, maps — all delineated with precision and clarity.

In its scope and organization, the book resembles so many Chinese boxes, each chapter opening another topic. Her study of defence movements which were (or were not) mobilized to avert or to help Jews avoid deportation, is typical of her objectivity.

Perhaps the most striking feature of this work is the way in which it manages to maintain the viewpoint of a true humanist — yet never at the expense of historical veracity. The integration of personal accounts into the work (Mary Berg, Anne Frank, Emmanuel Ringelblum, to name only a few) makes for some very powerful — and very moving — passages. Accounting for Genocide is a must for every thinking human — from the historian with a thorough grounding in the Holocaust, to the "uninitiated" layman.

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Noted Canadian singer Maureen Forrester sang "Psalm 22," composed by Oskar Morawetz. The piece was commissioned by CBC's Festival of Distinguished Artists series. Premiere took place March 17 at 8.30 p.m. at the Church of the Holy Trinity [behind Eaton Centre]. Audience reaction was fine.

World premiere of 'Psalm 22' finds an enthusiastic audience

music

By RICK KARDONNE

Maureen Forrester's world premiere performance of Oskar Morawetz's **Psalm 22** which he accompanied, as part of her Trinity Church concert March 17 (launching the CBC-radio distinguished artists series; it will be broadcast March 30 at 11.05 a.m. on the FM network) was the highlight of the 1979-80 Toronto Jewish concert season so far. The initial audience reaction was most enthusiastic.

Psalm 22, of course, is the archetypical challenge to the existence of God, depicting the real world in which evil exists. The famous first line is "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

In his program notes, Oskar Morawetz states: "I could not help to be reminded again vividly of the suffering and fate of prisoners in the Nazi concentration camps." And so, Morawetz's composition perfectly evokes Psalm 22's ultimate emotional impact.

Beginning with a correct mood of abstract dynamic but deliberately initially chaotic agitation, to interpret the growing yet disorganized mood of man's protest against the inhumanities of the world around him, the piece slowly builds with increasingly atonal dissonance and harsh vocal statements. The dramatic focus-climax, marked by definitive open-fifth chords (expertly performed on the piano by Morawetz himself) comes during the passage: "All my foes will say, 'We have beaten him!' And all my oppressors will have the joy of seeing me stumble!"

Then, the recapitulation of the original challenge-question concludes in the abruptly different spirit of stately, lyrical, abstract semi-liturgical subdued protest which Forrester performed in a powerfully haunting yet subtly controlled manner.

Maureen Forrester told me she would be most interested in performing Psalm 22 in spotlighted Jewish concert settings here in Toronto. I strongly urge that our Jewish institutions here enable this to occur in the near future so that Toronto Jewry be given a full opportunity to hear, performed live, this truly significant musical piece performed by perhaps the world's greatest living contralto.

The rest of the concert, consisting of salon songs by the German secular-Jewish composers Bruno Walter and Hugo Wolf (whose **Italian Songs** exemplified the peak maturity of Wilhelmina Lieder), Dvorak, Poulenc and three Saskatchewan Metis songs adapted by Malcolm Forsyth, further proved to the audience Yehuda Menuhin's belief that Maureen Forrester is one of the world's very best performing artists alive.

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CHANA ARONI — Why, oh why, was one of the most proficient and famous Israeli songstresses now resident on these shores, Chana Aroni, so under utilized at the CZF evening banquet by being stuck at the very end of a long (albeit stimulating) evening?

Already there were those in attendance, tiring at the end of a long day, who were leaving even before she appeared.

The CZF organizers should have slotted her earlier between Larry Grossman's greetings and Phil Givens' presidential report when the audience would have been far more receptive.

Considering the expense of bringing her here, her anticlimactic impact should have never been allowed.

As to the program itself: The oustanding number was a Yemenite-origin showstopper named **Habeyn Yakir Li** which she performed with fiery dynamism infused with sensitivity of inflection in the slow introductory liturgical passages. Most of her other selections were contemporary favorites such as **Hallelujah** and Yevrechachah.

The Bookshelf

A Family Passover
By Anne, Jonathan and Norma Rosen
Photos by Laurence Salzmann
Jewish Publication Society of America
$6.95

Of all the Jewish holidays, Passover is perhaps the most beloved. The spring Festival of Freedom — recalling the redemption of the ancient Hebrews from slavery in Egypt — is celebrated for eight days, involving every family member, particularly the children, in a living tradition.

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A fair majority of the artists are Jews — men like Ben Shahn, Milton Glaser, Howard Zieff and Arnold Saks. Their work, as well as that of others, was commissioned by the government, private institutions, industry and political parties.

Shahn contributes a few posters, including one on Eugene McCarty's presidential bid in 1968. Milton Ackoff's poster on discrimination is effective, as is Joseph Binder's poster on railroads. Saul Bass' poster on the movie, **The Man with the Golden Arm,** is brilliant, and Seymour Chwast's poster on dry gin is devilishly clever. Milton Glaser's poster on Bob Dylan hits just the right note, and Richard Avedon's poster on John Lennon is sharp and clear. That famous poster imploring all ethnic groups to eat Levy's bread, by Howard Zieff and William Taubin, is included in this collection. Arnold Sak's poster for The Jewish Museum on black films is great.

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Government of China veils condition of country's Jews

By RABBI ANSON LAYTNER

Chinese Jews. Jewish merchants who came to China via the silk route and settled there possibly as early as the late Roman Empire. Ethnic Chinese. Living in isolation from world Jewry, yet clinging steadfastly to their heritage, the "orphan colony" continued to survive by intermarrying with the local Chinese population. The result: ethnically Chinese Jews.

For generations they flourished, primarily in the inland city of Kai-feng, but in the last few hundred years, the wars, floods, and famines which afflicted China also took its toll on the Jewish community of Kai-feng.

By the late 19th century, when Jewish interest in the Kai-feng Jews reached a crescendo, the community was already dying, its members poverty-stricken, ignorant of the tenets and practices of Judaism, and beset by Christian missionaries.

Despite the efforts of Western Jewry, and in particular those of the Jewish community of Shanghai, the Kai-feng Jews continued to decline. Each time a plan of relief was formulated, some catastrophic event — a civil war, turmoil in China, Russian pogroms, two world wars — diverted Jewish attentions elsewhere. By the time of the Communist revolution in China in 1949, it was generally assumed that the Chinese Jewish community of Kai-feng had breathed its last breath.

But this is not necessarily the case. Although concrete evidence to the contrary is fragmentary, and although the argument which follows is purely hypothetical, there remains good reason to believe that the Kai-feng Jews do survive — and in enough numbers to warrant concern and action on our part.

Recent studies have uncovered two accounts of visits to Kai-feng in 1957, both of which point out that a sizeable Jewish population had remained in existence even at this late date. In his masterful work, **the Survival of the Chinese Jews,** Donald Leslie relates the experience of the Czech sinologue Timoteus Pokora, who visited the Kai-feng Jews in 1957. According to Leslie, Pokora was told that 100 families with a total of 200 dependents still classed themselves as Jews (the total number is unclear). Primarily businessmen and merchants, they no longer resided in the old Jewish quarter but had dispersed throughout the city. Most of them saw their Jewishness as a nationality.

In a book soon to be published by the Jewish Publication Society of America, entitled **Mandarins, Jews and Missionaries: The Jewish Experience in the Chinese Empire,** author Michael Pollak has collected the most recent accounts of attempts to visit Kai-feng and to contact the Chinese Jews there. He relates the experience of another visitor to Kai-feng in 1957 (perhaps on the same trip as Pokora), Prof. Rene Goldman, then studying Chinese history at Beijing (Peking) University, reported much larger numbers than those reported by Pokora. In Pollak's book, Goldman recalls his visit as follows;

In the course of this visit two of us had to be quite persistent in our entreaties with the city cadres, before they acknowledged that indeed the Kai-feng Jews existed. They informed us that there were some 2,000 persons in Kai-feng of Jewish ancestry, of whom only 700 acknowledged this ancestry. How they came to that figure is a mystery, considering the history of the Kai-feng Jewish community.

One afternoon they drove several of us who were interested in the question to visit one such family, which still lived in the ancient lane of the Chinese Jews, T'iaochinchiao Hutung. We were received by an elderly gentleman surnamed Lee, and his wife; unfortunately because of the presence of the cadre, the discussion was formal and reserved. Nevertheless, when upon leaving the house, I discreetly whispered to the old gentleman that two of us were Jewish, he beamed effusively and shook our hands. Later in the day, I saw the two old Jewish steles still standing in front of the former Canadian Anglican church.

Goldman's testimony is remarkable because the number he gives — a figure provided him by the party cadres themselves — far exceeds those given by previous visitors.

Goldman alludes to the reluctance on the part of Chinese officials to allow foreign visitors access to the Chinese Jews. Until recently, the Chinese government routinely refused travel permits to and/or information about those areas or subjects which it considered "delicate" and unfit for disclosure to foreigners.

The Jews of Kai-feng may constitute a case in point. Given Western interest in this unique group prior to 1949, the Chinese government may well have been loathe to permit such concern to continue, lest it lead to an intrusion into internal Chinese affairs. Given China's treatment at the hands of the foreign powers in the 19th and early 20th centuries, we can, perhaps, understand their fears. One thing is certain: whatever their reasons, Chinese officials have done their best to stop any would-be visitors from reaching the Jews of Kai-feng.

The facts speak for themselves. In 1957, the Kai-feng cadres confirmed the continued existence of the Chinese Jews only after persistent inquiry by Goldman. Only further perseverance compelled the Chinese to take the foreigners on a visit to a Chinese Jewish home. But even then, the visit was to an elderly couple in the ancient Jewish quarter, this despite the fact that the Jews had dispersed to other sections of the city.

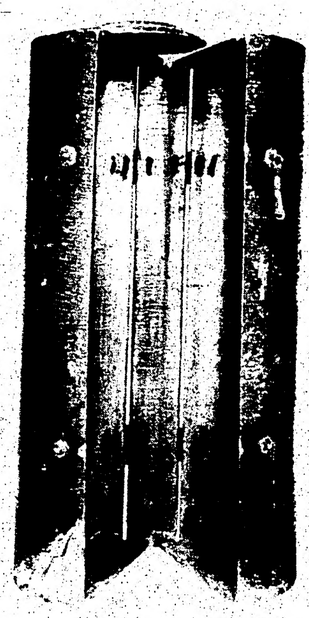
In my own case, despite the fact that the Chinese knew I am Jewish, and despite my repeated requests to visit the Kai-feng Jews (or rather the ancient Jewish quarter since at the time I, too, assumed that the Chinese Jews were extinct) — made over the period of my eight month stay in China in 1973-74 — I was not permitted to travel there, nor did I receive any information about the Chinese Jews.

Similarly, party cadres in Shanghai were singularly uncooperative about my contacting the few remaining Western Jews still living there. In both cases there was never any direct opposition to my requests, never an outright refusal, but always evasiveness.

In 1976, Rabbi Bernard S. Raskas visited Shanghai, made inquiries about Chinese Jews, and was told that two elderly Jewish women had recently died in one of the city's homes for the aged. There remained one elderly Jewish man at the home, and arrangements were purportedly made for Rabbi Raskas to visit him. At the last moment however, "difficulties" arose and the meeting had to be cancelled.

In his book, Pollak relates two other important episodes. In 1978, the renowned sociologist Fei Xiao-cong told a group of American tourists that academic and archeological research was being conducted by the Chinese on the Kai-feng Jews. But the scholar's candor was not matched by that of the officials responsible for dealing with a second American delegation visiting Kai-feng. In the summer of 1978, American historians and archeologists visited Kai-feng. Two members of the group, Mr. and Mrs. Weill, asked if a visit to the ancient synagogue site could be arranged. The party officials declared that it would be impossible because a workers' apartment had been built on the site.

The experiences of foreign visitors, from Goldman in 1957 through to the Weills in 1978, all seem to point to one conclusion: party officials consider Chinese Jews to be a politically sensitive subject, and have therefore "closed" Chinese Jews to foreign visitors. And although it can be assumed that the number of Chinese Jews has indeed declined in the 23 years since Goldman's visit, the fact that the Chinese have acted continually in an obstructionist manner does suggest that a significant number of Chinese Jews must remain — enough to warrant their isolation from foreign visitors.



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Critical of Rabin reaction

LONDON [ZINS] —

In a recent interview with the correspondent of Davar, Rabbi Immanuel Jacobovitz, the chief rabbi of England, criticized Israel's policy relating to the Soviet Union.

Rabbi Jacobovitz said he was invited to visit the Soviet Union in 1976 and the Soviet authorities welcomed him "with great honor." After he returned from his visit, he hinted broadly that the time had come to improve relations between the Soviet Union and Israel, "but it was up to Israel to take the first step."

The Russians told him clearly how it should be done: At a celebration of the anniversary of the victory over Nazism, the prime minister of Israel was to send a telegram of greetings to the Soviet Union. Based on his impression, Rabbi Jacobovitz was certain that this exchange of greetings would usher in a new political era, Rabbi Jacobovitz reports.

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Active clergyman strives for Jewish-Christian brotherhood

Dr. Douglas Young and his wife Georgina relax on the patio of their house near the Judean hills.

By JANET MENDELSOHN

JERUSALEM —

"It's very holy, but Jerusalem has much in common with other rapidly growing cities," says Rev. Douglas Young, a resident of this ethereal yet earthly city. "I have yet to see wings and halos," he adds, putting his stamp of reality on Israel's capital.

Dr. Young, who has lived in Jerusalem for 17 years, is one of the city's most devoted and active residents despite his 70 years. Although he lives in a centuries-old city which is sacred to Christians, Jews and Moslems, he and his wife Georgina lead a normal life coping with traffic snarls and crowded supermarkets. Most men his age would dream of retirement overlooking the hilly Jerusalem skyline, but Young works too hard to think about stopping. He is fully occupied building bridges.

He is deeply involved in a project to join the lines of communication between Christians and Jews; it is called "Bridges for Peace," which confirms, he says, his concern for the Jewish people and their state. He edits a monthly newsletter, Dispatch from Jerusalem, which presents the news behind the headlines and Middle Eastern developments in light of the Bible. He also broadcasts radio programs from Jerusalem to over 1,000 Christian radio stations throughout the United States.

"Today, for a Christian to say nothing, to do nothing...is the same as a negative vote - putting oneself with those who would destroy Israel," he says.

Georgina and Doug Young have endeavored to counteract apathy or anti-semitism in academic and Christian religious circles for over 25 years. In 1958, Young founded the Institute of Holy Land Studies in Jerusalem to improve students' comprehension of modern-day Israel as well as the land of the Bible. Giving up a rich academic career in the U.S., he left his position as dean and professor of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, Illinois, in order to move to Jerusalem in 1963.

"Trinity had 100 years of history behind it, but we had a program here that was history in the making," reminisces Young.

Growing with the times, the institute moved to a spacious building on Mount Zion which was a stone's throw from the Jordanian border. Sniper fire was common until the reunification of the city in 1967, but under the directorship and tutelage of the Youngs, the program continued expanding and growing despite two wars. From a student enrollment of six to eight students in the early 60s, the institute now attracts almost 700 students per year.

During the Six Day War in 1967, the Youngs became involved in civil defense of Jerusalem. Young outfitted the institute's van as an ambulance, and Mrs. Young waited out the harrowing experience by caring for students and neighbors in the shelter of the school.

The peace prospects have encouraged this religious scholar to increase his activities. Young is a member of the renowned international advisory body, the Jerusalem Committee; former president of the Jerusalem Rotary Club; and board member of several humanitarian organizations based in Jerusalem. In 1978, he was a recipient of the coveted Yakir Yerushalayim (Worthy of Jerusalem) honor.

Recently, Young retired from administrative duties at the Institute of Holy Land Studies after 20 years of service. Today his time is filled with directing "Bridges for Peace," which he founded in 1978 in order to help realize his goal to firmly establish a Christian-Jewish brotherhood.

Young is still active as a Regents Professor of Judeo-Christian Studies at the institute, and he travels thousands of miles a year speaking to North American groups. Born to Canadian Christian educators, Young has always believed in biblical prophecy, and with his free and easy banter, he can transmit these beliefs. He relates to the smallest American student group or the largest national television audience and even though he has an old message to sell, he says it seems to require a great deal of repetition.

"I take as a fact that God promised Abraham this land for an everlasting possession," he says. With this concept in mind, he encourages understanding of the modern-day Jewish state in relation to its biblical connections. Young is full of praise for the religious freedom guaranteed in Israel, and he recently offered this opinion to the Jerusalem Post.

"Where else in all the world do such guarantees exist for the denominations and their churches? It should be remembered that only in Israel are there existing laws which protect all the holy places of every kind..."

As a devotee of Jerusalem as well as one of her most devoted workers, Young will certainly add another honor to his collection, as is implied in Psalm 122: "They shall prosper that love thee — Jerusalem the eternal city."

Creating Shabbat technology

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

JERUSALEM —

Is it possible to write without really writing?

A team of rabbis and scientists affiliated with the Jerusalem-based Institute for Science and Jewish Law think so.

Their institute, established to exploit the tools of modern science to facilitate the observance of age-old religious practices, took up this question in response to a request from Orthodox physicians who were faced with a very difficult problem.

Like all observant Jews, these doctors will not ordinarily work on the Sabbath or Jewish holidays. But when life is at stake, Mosaic law decrees that they may — indeed must — treat patients.

That much is clear. Less obvious is what they should do in regard to recording often routine medical details which, strictly speaking, are not a matter of life and death.

When the issue was raised, institute rabbis, like legal experts everywhere, looked for a precedent upon which to base their decision, and they found it in the well-established ruling that non-permanent inscriptions, such as "writing" on a fogged window, are not a Sabbath violation.

Therefore, they reasoned, it would be permissible for physicians to make notations on the Sabbath if they wrote with an ink that remained visible only long enough to be photographed after the Sabbath ended. Subsequently it would have to disappear so completely that it could not be detected by the most advanced chemical or optical techniques.

At first, institute scientists thought they might be able to employ "tailor's ink," traditionally used to mark pieces of a garment while they are being sewn together. However, they soon discovered that it vanished too quickly to be of practical use.

Other fluids remained visable for an extended period or didn't disappear.

Then, in desperation, various intelligence agencies were queried in hopes of finding an "invisable ink" that would meet the requirements set down by institute rabbis. But even James Bond couldn't help.

So the Jerusalem scientists went to work on an ink of their own, and indeed made one that remains visable for some days then completely vanishes. It will soon be available to individual Orthodox physicians as well as to hospitals which strictly observe religious codes.

Security is another sphere that cannot be neglected on the Sabbath, particularly since many settlements of Orthodox Jews have been established in vulnerable, outlying areas where terrorist attacks are always a possibility.

This problem is not a new one. Even the Macabees, who over 2,000 years ago successfully defeated Greek attempts to supress Jewish self-expression in the Holy Land, had to solve it.

Up until that time, enemies of the Jews tended to attack them on the Sabbath, when security precautions were weak and some men refused even to take up arms. This could not continue, the Macabees said, ruling that all Jews must defend themselves on the Sabbath just as they would on any other day.

In that same tradition, Israelis went straight from their synagogues to their tanks when fighting broke out on the holy day of Yom Kippur in 1973. But in this sphere, as with medical care, there are situations where life may not be clearly at stake, and yet Sabbath "desecrations" may be justified. Where such is the case, a second institution that is active in this field, the Tzomet Research Center in the Etzion Bloc, near Hebron, has taken it upon itself to minimize the "law-breaking."

Thanks to the Tzomet Center, for example, religious settlers now have a special, spotlight-equipped "Sabbath jeep" in which to go on patrol. Its motor is turned on before the Sabbath begins and continues to operate without human intervention by a controlled flow of gasoline. And when a patrol ends, the jeep's engine automatically goes off.

To utilize his spotlight, the driver turns a switch. This doesn't directly activate it because a circuit-breaker delays the electrical impulse; only some seconds later does the light shine forth. As the rabbis see it, this means that the device has, so to speak, turned itself on.

A similar system is used in a "Sabbath telephone" designed for use in emergency situations. Among those who have employed it, when diplomatic crises developed on Saturday, is Israel's ambassador to the United Nations, Mr. Yehuda Blum, himself an observant Jew.

For secularists, this process of trying to find a **modus vivendi** between the demands of religion and those of modern life — whether it be in hospitals and farms or in power plants and tourist hotels — may echo of sophistry, but for the devout it is both logical and necessary.

Another version

MONTREAL —

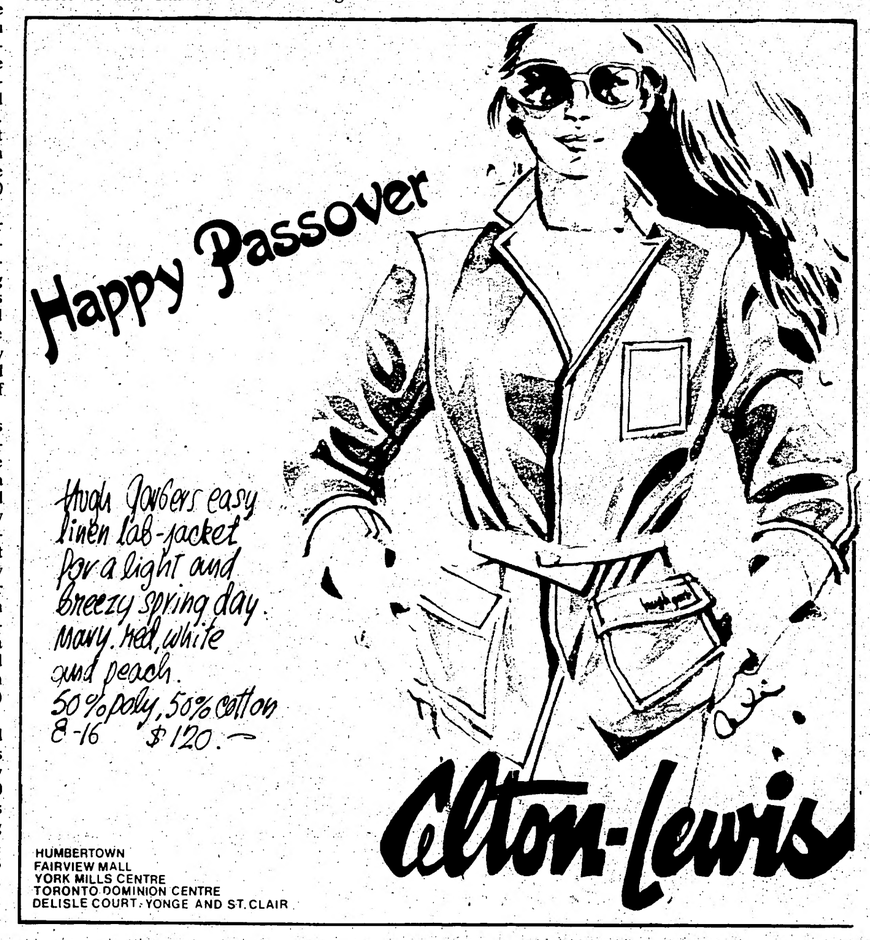
The highlight of the Saidye Bronfman Centre Theatre's 1980 season will be a new Canadian production of Arnold Wesker's **The Merchant.** Wesker, an English playwright of world reknown, is coming to Montreal to direct his play, which will be performed at Place des Arts from May 22 to June 7.

The play is a powerful drama based on the same source material as Shakespeare's **Merchant of Venice.** The original was a huge success at its world premiere in Stockholm in 1976 and has been highly praised by critics and audiences in London and New York.

The Merchant reveals Shylock in a totally different light, as a true Renaissance man forced to live by the rules of the Venice ghetto of the 16th century.

A cast of Canadian stars has been assembled for this production, including Jack Creley, Gerard Parkes, Joy Coghill, Jan Triska, Diana Barrington, George Popovitch, Peter Boretski, Wendy Dawson, Margot Dionne, Diana Ricard, William Osler, Louis Negin, William Dunlop, Alan Katz, Sheena Larkin, and Jan Muszynski.

Arnold Wesker first came to international attention as one of the so-called angry young men of British theatre in the late 1950s and '60s. He is acclaimed for such plays as **Chicken Soup with Barley, Roots, I'm Talking About Jerusalem, Chips With Everything,** and more.



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Now 120 years since birth of renowned Jewish historian

By ISRAEL KOPYTO

It is now 120 years since the birth of the great Jewish historian, Shimon Dubnov, and 39 years since his tragic death at the hands of the Nazis.

From a background of cheder and yeshiva, Dubnov rose to the heights of a world famous thinker and philosopher of modern Jewish history.

Born in Mstislav, White Russia, which was then part of the Czarist Empire, he was keenly aware from his earliest youth of the burdens placed upon his people by a despotic tyrannical regime. He himself was the victim of the merciless anti-Jewish restrictions which denied him the right of studying at universities in Moscow or St. Petersburg (now Leningrad).

While still a very young man, Dubnov conceived the idea of recording the history of the Jews, from Biblical times to the present, from the point of view of a universal humanism which could link the destiny of the Jewish people to that of all nations in a future where justice and freedom would prevail, the Jews keeping their identity as the initiators and bearers of the monotheistic idea. This aroused the anger of the Orthodox Christian Church, which as a result intensified its persecution of the Jews. Dubnov's first book was condemned to be burned by the clerical censorship, and it was Dubnov's fate to be himself a witness of the public burning of his first printed volume.

Dubnov's approach to Jewish historiography was one which embraced the entire Jewish people during all the periods of its existence and struggle for survival. He looked at Jewish history not only as a record of the achievements of an elite such as the Prophets, the Sages and the heroes. In this respect, he disagreed with his predecessors, the noted historians Isaac Marcus Jost and Heinrich Graetz.

Though the latter had prepared the ground for the acceptance by the young generation of the modern evolutionary approach to Jewish history, their interpretation stressed the martyrology of the Jews without giving emphasis to the role of the broad masses of ordinary people. Dubnov set a new direction in his historical analyses, stressing the element of the creativeness of the people. He saw the role of the Jewish people at the close of the Middle Ages, with the advent of the new age of the Renaissance, as being a "light unto the nations."

In tracing the historical development of the Jewish people throughout the many centuries of its existence, Dubnov applied an evolutionary method. Always a people apart, yet living in different historical epochs and milieus, he sees a national image of the people, whether in creating statehood, or adapting to socio-historical changes, or formulating prophetic ideals for the entire people.

Dubnov was the theoretician of the Jewish national idea while always remaining a universal democrat. He was a believer in the ideas of the great French Revolution. When Jews were granted emancipation, he fought for full national rights as Jews. He firmly opposed assimilation. In his debates with Lilienblum and Achad Haam, he emerged as a supporter of Jewish autonomy rights. He was free of the romanticism that sometimes colored the thinking of both Zionists and revolutionary Socialists. Dubnov was a popular social democrat. He felt that Jewish Socialists were wrong in placing greater emphasis on the class struggle than on the Jewish national interest. He held to the conviction that Jews should not become partners in the fight against social ills so long as they themselves are deprived of equal and full civil rights.

He opposed the stand taken by the Bund, calling for united class struggle. Dubnov had little in common, therefore, with the Jewish Socialist movement, seeing the materialistic philosophy of Marxism as a denial of the very existence of the Jewish people. In his view, Jewish Socialists failed to understand the all-pervasive national motif of the struggle for Jewish rights.

The brilliant chronicler of Jewish history saw all too clearly the difficulties inherent in tracing the story of a people scattered over the four corners of the earth, living in different cultures and environments, speaking diverse languages, subject to a variety of cultural influences — a tiny minority in an alien world — and yet a distinct people.

Shimon Dubnov and his wife in the 1920s.

In 1922, Dubnow left Russia and settled in Berlin, where he lived and worked for 11 years. It was during these years that he began the writing of his World History of the Jewish people, of which volume after volume was printed. In 1933, when Hitler came to power, Dubnov left for Riga, where he published 10 volumes of his work in the German language. In Riga, he also began to write his memoirs, which were to be a history of his times, but which he never finished. Nor were the manuscripts of this work ever found.

While living in Riga, Dubnov foresaw the rising danger of Nazism and called for Jews to be vigilant and to mobilize whatever powers they possessed against the onslaught of the enemy of the Jewish people.

At this time many invitations and offers of refuge reached the aging historian, coming from all corners of the world. Visas were extended from friends in various countries. In Stockholm, Sweden, a home was offered for his use. Through the U.S. consulate in Riga, a visa was arranged by YIVO of New York. A letter from the United States read "Your admirers eagerly await your arrival on the shores of the United States."

But Dubnov had no intention of seeking his own safety through escape. In reply to an invitation from the National Jewish Workers' Alliance in America, he wrote:

"I am very touched by your concern about my safety, but I have joined my destiny with that of my people. Now that Vilna again is a part of Lithuania, I am considering moving there to restore the YIVO which was badly damaged during the attack on Poland and to resume its work on behalf of our people."

In July of 1941, the Nazis marched into Riga and the illustrious historian shared the fate of his fellow people. Along with thousands of other Jews, he was confined to the Ghetto.

In the ghetto, Dubnov kept a diary, but his notes, like his memoirs, were unfortunately destroyed or lost.

During a deportation of the ghetto in December, 1941, the 81-year-old scholar was taken to a place of execution just outside of Riga, where he was shot by a Lithuanian Nazi.

Thus ended the life of a great humanist and intellectual of our times, the leading Jewish historian of our century, a martyr among the six million martyrs who lost their lives.

Israel Kopyto, a survivor of the Holocaust, is a Toronto freelance writer.

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Hall of Heroism commemorates martyrs of Irgun, Shin Bet, Nili

By EUGENE SINGER

JERUSALEM — The Hall of Heroism was formerly the Jerusalem central prison where Jewish pride and honor were preserved by soldiers of the Irgun, Lechi, and where those brave Jews of Nili and Shin Bet, who met their fate while attempting to redeem and protect the land of Israel, are memorialized.

You will not find beautiful art, sculpture, priceless paintings and other artifacts in this museum. You will find a grim reminder of the painful period preceding the establishment of the state of Israel. You will see the red suit worn by the prisoners condemned to death by the British. You will see the chains, leg irons and barbed wire used to degrade our Jewish brothers. You will learn of the sacrifices, dedication and heroism of young Jews.

The entrance hall of the museum is lined with portraits of the martyrs, with a brief history of their background, deeds and sacrifices.

The gallows where the British hangmen scheduled the execution of Jewish liberators is on display for all to see.

The cell where the young Jews, Meir Feinstein and Moshe Berzani, who were scheduled to be hanged on the night of April 23, 1947 is also on display. It was in this very cell that a half hour before their scheduled execution, they placed a hand grenade between their hearts, and died with Shema Yisroel on their lips. The fragmentation marks of the explosion can still be seen on the wall of the cell.

Carvings on a window sill and in the stone floors of cells and rooms, done by the prisoners, are expressions of hope, victory and faith in their struggle for freedom.

The problem of the Hall of Heroism is that with the rich history behind it, it is unknown to many of our people. I have conducted a study for the past 10 months, and have concluded that this museum is not on any itinerary of any Jewish group tours or travel agencies. It is also not on any youth tour itinerary. Thousands of youth travel to Israel every summer; very few visit this museum. Many travel agencies and group tours suggest Christian holy places, and many other non-Jewish places to visit.

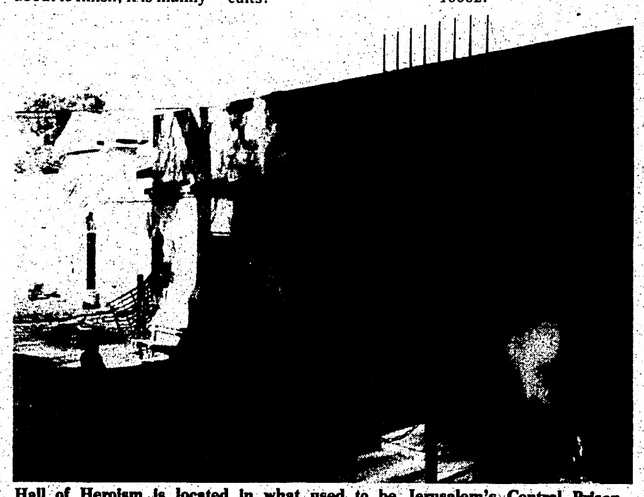
I have found that amongst our adults 97% have never heard of Dov Gruner, an Irgun soldier whose heroism and dedication to the Jewish people is worthy not only of being memorialized, but of being taught, discussed and studied as an example of what sacrifice is.

Before his death by hanging at the hands of the British, he wrote to Menachem Begin, his commander, "Of course I want to live, who does not? But if I am sorry that I am about to finish, it is mainly because I did not manage to do enough. I, too, could have let the future fend for itself, taken the job I was promised, or left the country altogether and lived securely in America. But, that would not have given me satisfaction as a Jew and as a Zionist."

Our youth who are affiliated and who participate in Jewish life and activities don't know of the existence of the Hall of Heroism, and know very little of the martyrs. Sadly, youth leaders, groups, schools and yeshivas do not teach about this period of the struggle for liberation and its heroes. Our youth today do not know what sacrifice, pride and dedication are. This is our tragedy. Is it any wonder that they stray to Moonies, Jews for Jesus, and other cults?

Chana Guzman is the tireless, dedicated curator who seeks to have this museum include all Jewish heroes of our past, modern-day heroes such as Col. Mickey Marcus, the West Point graduate who gave his life in the 1948 War of Independence, and Yehonatan Netanyanu, killed during the 1976 Entebbe rescue.

I strongly urge all Jews going to Israel to visit this most important shrine. It is important that travel agents include the museum in their itineraries, and youth groups include it in their brochures and itineraries. I can be reached at the following address: American Friends of the Hall of Heroism, c/o Eugene Singer, 577 Grand St., New York, New York 10002.



Hall of Heroism is located in what used to be Jerusalem's Central Prison.

Exhibit displays photos of men and women who gave their lives for freedom.

Jewish author denies that Errol Flynn was agent of Nazis

A biography to be published in April charges that the late Errol Flynn, the actor "who always won the war for the Allies" was not only a Nazi collaborator, but an anti-semite. Tom Tugend, the Jewish Chronicle correspondent in Los Angeles, examines the book's allegations.

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Swashbuckling Errol Flynn, the subject of tantalizing gossip and shocking headlines throughout his movie career, has been resurrected 21 years after his death and plunged into a new whirlpool of Hollywood controversy.

The Australian-born actor's sexual escapades, graphically described in his autobiography **My Wicked, Wicked Ways,** were heady stuff, even for Hollywood, during the forties and fifties. Now a biography, to be published in April, goes beyond the fun and games to charge that the man who always won the war for the Allies on the silver screen was a Nazi collaborator and that the star contract player of a Jewish movie studio was a thorough anti-semite.

A veteran Jewish screenwriter has now risen to Flynn's defence, as actors David Niven and Olivia de Haviland did earlier, and with a movie based on the book already in the works, a long-running and heated debate is assured.

The author who started it all is Charles Higham, a British-born resident of Los Angeles and biographer of such other screen luminaries as Marlene Dietrich, Katherine Hepburn and Charles Laughton.

Higham started his research on Flynn's life over three years ago and the first draft of his manuscript promised to delight the "voyeur" in every movie fan. Flynn is portrayed as a bisexual, mentally unbalanced, a sadist, a drug addict, possible rapist, a suspect in a manslaughter case and a gigolo given to weird sexual rites and wild orgies.

Enough hot stuff to guarantee the book instant best-seller status, but 15 months ago, Higham hit on the real bombshell of Flynn's alleged Nazi connection, accompanied by a strong streak of anti-semitism.

Starting with an inside tip, Higham claims to have proven his case through analysis of some 5,000 U.S. government documents obtained during the past year from the FBI, the State Department, CIA and Army and Navy Intelligence, under the Freedom of Information Act.

Specific allegations in the 250,000-word book include:

In 1937, Flynn and his German friend, Dr. Herman F. Erben, an alleged Nazi agent, travelled behind loyalist lines during the Spanish Civil War. There they photographed Germans fighting against Franco and then turned the photos over to the Gestapo.

In early 1940, when Dr. Erben faced deportation from the United States, Flynn personally interceded with Eleanor Roosevelt, the wife of the president, and the proceedings were suspended.

Later that year, when Dr. Erben was again threatened with deportation, Flynn spirited him out of the country by driving him across the border into Mexico.

"By removing a known Nazi from American soil before justice could take its course, Errol had committed an outright act of treason," Higham writes. "As a British subject giving aid and comfort to the enemy, he could have, if caught by British intelligence agents, been extradited and tried in England as a traitor."

Although Flynn is widely remembered in Hollywood as an erratic and self-destructive personality, there is considerable reluctance to accept the new sensational charges against him at face value.

A strong public defence has been mounted by Stephen Longstreet, a Jewish author of 50 books and a dozen screenplays, and a former editor of Time magazine.

"Flynn was my good friend for over a decade, and I spent seven years with him at the 'Jewish studio' Warner Brothers," Longstreet wrote to the Jewish weekly Heritage. ". . . drunk or sober, he never uttered any anti-Jewish talk.

"As for Errol helping a Nazi agent, I take it with a ton of salt . . . I know he was loyal to the British Empire and he did resent being attacked for not going back to fight. One reason was that his health was bad and getting worse, and as a Aussie, he felt the English looked down on the folk from Down Under."

Organizations object to census identifying Jews

NEW YORK [ZINS] — Information contained in an article by B. Smolar, published in the Forward, discloses that many important Jewish organizations are opposed to the identification of Jews as Jews in the U.S. census.

He writes: "Jews, who would like to have their children grow up with consciousness that they are Jews, cannot understand why many leaders of important Jewish organizations have strongly opposed questions of religion in the Census Bureau's questionnaire. The answer of the question of religious origin is the only way in which Jews can identify themselves as Jews even if they are not religious."

Smolar states that over 60 ethnic groups in the U.S. are entered in the census according to their ethnic origin, but not the Jews. He expressed his displeasure with the position of those leaders of Jewish organizations who persuaded the Census Bureau not to consider the Jews as an ethnic group, though the bureau was prepared to do so.

The 1980 census will begin in April for the entire population in the country.

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Lecturer describes Churchill's plan to improve conditions for Israel

The secret plan of the late Winston Churchill to reverse the pro-Arab policy of the British government in 1939, was referred to in a London lecture by the politician and historian, Lord Bethell. Gabriel Rey writes about some of the lecturer's disclosures.

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LONDON [JCNS] —

While the British wartime coalition government under Winston Churchill continued the pro-Arab policy of the 1939 White Paper on Palestine, the prime minister himself was secretly planning its reversal by sponsoring a new partition scheme for the establishment of a Jewish state.

New details of the scheme and its abandonment by Churchill after the assassination of Lord Moyne by members of the Stern Gang in 1944 formed the basis of a recent London lecture by Lord Bethell, the Conservative politican and historian, to the Institute of Jewish Affairs.

The author of **Palestine Triangle,** Lord Bethell has spent several years researching the closing period of the British Mandate. His lecture, entitled "Britain's Plan to Partition Palestine in 1944 — the New Evidence," was based on recently released, and formerly secret, official documents.

Lord Bethell recalled that although the Conservative Party, by and large, the military and above all, the Foreign Office all shared the conviction that the abandonment of support for the Zionist endeavor and a pro-Arab orientation were vital to the Allied cause during the war and to Britain's imperial interests afterwards, Churchill nurtured his hope of reversing this policy at the first suitable opportunity.

Churchill conveyed the details of the report to Weizman early in November but also added that the partition plan would be implemented after the end of the war.

However, on Nov. 6 Lord Moyne, the British resident minister in Cairo — an old and dear personal friend of the prime minister — was assassinated by two members of the Stern Gang.

The opposition was not all that formidable; it was mainly represented by the Foreign Office. For documents showed that even the high commissioner of Palestine, Sir Harold MacMichael, and even the prime ministers of Jordan and Iraq had been by then won over to the concept of partition as the only solution to the Arab-Jewish conflict.

A life-long supporter of Zionism, Churchill had promised Chaim Weizmann that he would "plunge his hand into the pie and extract a real plum for the Zionists."

It took the form of a cabinet committee, composed of 10 ministers and chaired by Herbert Morrison, which was set up in the summer of 1943 with the specific task of resolving the Arab-Jewish conflict in Palestine.

By mid-December the Morrison Committee presented its initial report from which only a partition of Palestine and the establishment of a Jewish state in boundaries more favorable than those of the Peel partition plan (which the Zionist Congress had accepted in 1937).

The committee's final report, in October 1944, was even more favorable to the Jews since it also envisaged that the Negev would eventually be included into the Jewish state. The committee also recommended that its partition plan "be carried through whatever the opposition."

Lord Bethell stressed that although the Morrison partition plan survived the assassination, its effect in Britain and, especially, on Churhcill personally, was "devastating." Lord Moyne was among the ministers who had supported the establishment of a Jewish state in a partitioned Palestine and Churchill could not understand the motives of the assassins.

"If our dreams of Zionism are to end in the smoke of assassins' pistols and our labors for its future to produce only a new set of gangsters worthy of Nazi Germany, many like myself will have to reconsider the position we have maintained so consistently and so long in the past," the prime minister declared.

He was only partly mollified by the fact that the official Zionist leadership — headed by Weizmann and Ben Gurion — had condemned the assassination and embarked upon co-operation with the British by supplying them with a list of names of 500 members of the Irgun and the Stern Group.

Lord Bethell pointed out that the handing over of members of the underground to the British remained a very sensitive and controversial issue in Israel. But what the official Zionist leadership had known — but their opponents in Irgun did not — was that at stake was the British plan for the establishment of a Jewish state.

The official Zionist leaders had hoped that by co-operating with the British in Palestine they would revive Churchill's zeal for the setting up of a Jewish state. They did, however, not succeed. For the single and dramatic act of Moyne's assassination "totally destroyed" Churchill's enthusiasm for the partition plan.

Despite promptings from Morrison no progress was being made in the closing months of 1944 or in early 1945. In March the prime minister agreed to put the partition plan on the agenda of a cabinet session but he postponed it once again because of the death of President Roosevelt, having decided that the matter should be left to the Parliament yet to be elected and to the international peace conference after the war.

He remained unmoved by an urgent letter from Weizmann (in May 1945) that "this is the hour to liquidate the White Paper and to proclaim a Jewish state."

In fact, Churchill's last utterance before leaving office in July was a bitter observation that: "I am not aware of the slightest advantage which accrued to Britain from the Zionist enterprise." He suggested that Britain should throw in her hand and let others try to resolve the problem of Palestine.

Street names describe aspects of Israel's history and hopes

Gloria Deutsch writes a fascinating account of how street names in Israel portray the country's history, its institutions, and the romance of its people.

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TEL AVIV [JCNS] —

Walking around any town in Israel and reading the street names is a marvelous way of learning about the country. Street names tell the whole story — history, institutions, nature, and above all the people who've made contributions to the creation of the state.

Every town has its Rehov Herzl, named after the father of the Jewish state and its Rehov Weizmann, after the first president. Rehov Balfour honors the British foreign secretary who promised a national home for the Jews in Palestine and Rehov Ben-Yehuda the man who revived the Hebrew language as a living tongue.

All shades of political opinion are represented — there are as many Jabotinskis for the founder of the Zionist revisionist movement as there are Arlozerovs for one of the leaders of the Zionist labor movement. Dizengoff, the best-known street in Tel Aviv, is named after the first mayor of the town while Sokolov is in memory of the pioneer of modern Hebrew journalism.

Fewer women have streets named after them, but there are some impressive names — Anne Frank, Hanna Senesh, an Israeli heroine of World War II, and Henrietta Szold, the leading American Zionist. One woman who will not give her name to a road is Golda Meir, who left instructions to that effect in her will.

The rule in Israel is that a street cannot be named after someone until they are dead. So that when David Ben-Gurion died at the end of 1973, the signmakers were busy. In our town, Kfar-Sava, Rehov Hatikva became Rehov Ben-Gurion and Tel Aviv's Ben-Gurion Avenue was once Keren Kayemet (the Jewish National Fund).

Many other groups of people are remembered in street names in Israel: non-Jews who were considered great friends to Israel, like Allenby, the British soldier who defeated the Turks in 1917; Emile Zola, the French novelist who took up the cause of the wronged Captain Dreyfus; and Truman, the president of the United States at the time of the creation of Israel.

Or non-Israeli Jews — Einstein, Leon Blum, the one-time prime minister of France and the Yiddish writer Shalom Aleichem. Finally, there are historical characters like the scholar Rabbi Akiva and Bar-Kochba, the hero of the Jewish revolt against Rome.

But street names are not confined to people, far from it. The whole history of ancient and modern Israel is told from Rehov Masada and Hasanhedrin right up to Operation Yonatan, in memory of the hero of Entebbe. Some of the names sound clumsy translated into English. There are many streets in Israel called Kibbutz Galuyot which means the Ingathering of the Exiles.

Almost every town has a Sheshet Hayamim to commemorate the Six Day War and an Assirei Zion — Prisoners of Zion — and going further back, a Rehov Tel-Hai in memory of Trumpeldor's last stand in 1920. There is even a street called The submarine Dakar in memory of the tragedy that took place 13 years ago.

All the Israeli army units, from paratroopers to artillery are represented in street names as well as the pre-state army, the Hagana and its elite strike force, the Palmach. In less bellicose mood, whole clusters of streets are named after the seven species of Eretz Israel, with Olive Street leading to Fig Street and running parallel with Pomegranate Road. Then there are all the flowers, hyacinth (yakinton), cyclamen (rakefet), iris, dahlia, and calanit.

The Yemenite quarter of old Jaffa reminds visitors of the picturesque story of Yemenite Aliya in 1949-50. Two of its tiny alleys have the grandiose names On Eagles' Wings and Operation Flying Carpet.

In Petach Tikva, the first rural settlement outside the walls of Jerusalem, all the main streets are named after those pioneers who, over a 100 years ago, set out on that brave venture. And as almost every town in Israel began from nothing, every town remembers its Rishonim, its founding fathers. In Jerusalem one of the world's most famous streets is the Via Dolorosa, sacred to Christianity.

And street names have been used to make political protests. In 1975, after the United Nations passed its infamous resolution equating Zionism with racism, the name of United Nations Avenue in Jerusalem was ceremonially changed — to Zionism Avenue.

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Each generation builds again

Allon's words urge eternal 'going forth'

The late Yigal Allon first gained prominence as a soldier. He was a co-founder of the Palmach, striking-force of the Haganah, during Israel's War of Independence over 30 years ago, commanding major campaigns in upper Galilee, the central front [Lydda-Ramleh] and the southern front, where he defeated the invading Egyptian armies.

Allon, a member of Kibbutz Ginossar, held cabinet office in various Labor-led governments and was Israel's deputy prime minister and foreign minister from 1974-77.

This article is adapted from Allon's address to the 21st convention of Pioneer Women, held in Israel in November 1979.

Yigal Allon

In the Haggadah of Pesach there is a wonderful sentence taken from the Mishnah to the effect that "In each and every generation it is a man's duty to regard himself as though he went forth out of Egypt."

Every new immigrant and every young Israeli who was born after 1948 may consider himself as if he himself is one of the founders of this state, for we are still founding new kibbutzim, moshavim and towns, as well as new quarters in old towns, wherever the development of the state requires them. Nowadays, for example, such settlement is badly needed in the Galilee, the Negev, and in certain strategic zones along the Jordan Valley rift and other frontier areas.

The beauty of it is that there is a perpetual need for pioneers and people starting afresh, and the possibilities of development and settlement are boundless. There is place in Israel for many kinds of life styles in various forms of settlement, and each in his own way can help make the country and its society flourish.

I often recall Albert Einstein's well known saying that he regretted the fact that he had been born a Jew, for otherwise he would have been able to choose Judaism of his own free will. I was born in this country. One section of my family had lived in the country for several generations under Ottoman rule. So I never experienced the feeling of being an immigrant and deciding to make aliyah to Israel.

Sometimes I paraphrase Einstein and regret that I was born in Eretz Yisrael, for otherwise I could have come here of my own free choice. Nevertheless, I consider myself fortunate that my ancestors, when they decided to leave Czarist Russia, chose Turkish Palestine rather than the United States of America — with all due respect to the greatest, largest Jewish community in the world.

To me, Zionism is a program for building the country and reconstituting the nation, but it is more than that. Philosophically speaking Zionism is to me the contemporary expression of Jewish unity. We, are one people in spite of the fact that we are still scattered all over the world, whether in bigger or smaller centres. We are one regardless of the various languages we speak, of the community to which we belong, and of the ability of those of us who live in Israel to maintain normal contacts with our brethren in the Diaspora — be it the democratic West or places of Jewish distress such as the Soviet Union.

Nevertheless, in spite of the diversity of languages and cultural backgrounds, Zionism provides us with a framework within which we may experience a sense of unity. This is particularly important in our day and age, when secular tendencies have reduced the ability of the synagogue or congregation, whose importance I do not belittle, to safeguard Jewish unity, and when practicing Jews are sometimes divided into different schools of thought and belief.

The Jews today should concentrate all their wisdom and resources on sticking together and remaining one people despite our differences — on unity through diversity. Fate would have it that only 20% of our people live in Israel today, while most Jews have chosen to remain in the Diaspora.

I know it is not easy for Jews who live comfortably in relatively wealthy communities to uproot themselves and join us in Israel. The phenomenon of large numbers of Yordim (emigrants who have left Israel to become once again 'wandering Jews' in the Dispersion) does not help the drive for aliyah. Perhaps eventually the children of these Yordim will teach their parents a lesson in Zionism, but in the meantime please do not look upon them as proof that Israel is not a good land to live in. The great majority of Israelis do not consider or even dream of leaving the country.

The greater the number of Jews living in Israel, the fewer Jews will have to die for it. Though quality is of vital importance, numbers matter as well. We must reach that critical figure which will ensure that the Zionist enterprise in the land of Israel is no longer at the experimental stage.

One of our great leaders, Moshe Sharett, once addressed a group of Jewish youngsters visiting from abroad in the following terms: "Of course we would like to see you all here, but come only if you feel that it is what you want." Moshe Sharett was a gentleman. With your permission I shall be less gentle and say quite bluntly: "We cannot wait until every Jew will reach the conclusion that he would like to live in Israel. We really need you, and I am sure that you too need us!"

So let us return to the Haggadah and remember the words: "Now we are here, next year may we be in the Land of Israel. Now we are slaves, next year may we be free."

Saul Rasky's depiction of the Jews in slavery is one of the most haunting of its kind.

Rewards come from Jewish living

By RABBI SELIG KOROLNEK

We all know the wicked son's demand and the sharp retort, this excluding himself and his expulsion. We generally stress the words: "What is this service for you?" and "G-d redeemed me." Perhaps we might fight a different emphasis. The wicked son is not all bad. He does come to the Seder; he asks questions, he is bothered and concerned. True, he rejects. But these things do matter to him. They worry him. If he did not care for the joys of Pesach, for redemption which it symbolized, he would not bother asking his questions at all. Perhaps the wicked son could be regarded more with compassion than with contempt. Perhaps he is more common than we care to think.

The delights of Judaism are enticing. Many who ignore every mitzvah and tradition will unfailingly appear at, and even conduct, a Passover Seder. The family gathers, the songs are so spirited, the rituals are so charming, the nostalgia so cozy. Why not enjoy these pleasures? Identifying with our people can be a source of pride because our ancestry is a noble one. Sharing in the reflected glory of great Jewish men and ideas, why deny this association with immortality? Only a fool would spurn the reward of Jewishness, and the wicked son is no fool. The question the wicked son asks is: "What is this service for you?" He cannot understand all the labor, even sacrifice and hardships, that might be entailed in being Jewish. Enjoy the Seder, certainly, but why the painstaking preparations? Jewish wisdom, certainly, but why the years of study it requires? Being a grandchild of Isaiah, absolutely, but why be bothered with Talis and Tefillin and Kashrus and Shabbos? Why the Avodah, the work?

The answer need not be a harsh one. It might be given with understanding. "For the sake of This" our people were redeemed. Redemption does not come without preparation. The glories and delights of Torah and Judaism are products, results of Jewish living, and they cannot exist without Jewish living. To reach the goal, one must take the path.

The Haggadah places the wicked son next to the wise son. He is not rejected or put out of the house. He is to be treated with wisdom, with an understanding of his situation and problems. He may be wicked, but he is a wicked son, one of ours, no less than the wise or the saintly, and we are responsible for him.

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Hunt for tenth man leads to...

Two bar mitzvahs in Khartoum

By BEATRICE MAGDER

Dear Mom:

I've got to tell you of an amazing thing that happened to me here in Khartoum.

Remember that we travelled all the way up the Nile from Cairo into Sudan. When we got here, to Khartoum (yes, that famous place where the English General Gordon was killed — that's the man made famous by Charleton Heston in a movie) we found we had to stay for a while because we couldn't get permits to go further south as we wanted to do.

Well we decided to stick around Khartoum for a while to see if the situation would change. This is an interesting city, old and full of Sudanese, Egyptian and British history. I noticed a very old synagogue in the centre of the city. It is surrounded by barbed wire and there were padlocks on the double doors. I thought it meant that there were no longer any Jews living here.

Walking around the city we met up with a young English couple. They are staying with a Sudanese family. They invited us over that evening to meet the family. So we went.

We had a lovely time. Sudanese people are very hospitable. The house is built around a courtyard and is very open. These people are wealthy but the house is not luxurious by our western standards. Lots of servants though.

We talked about a lot of things while there and somehow it came out that they are one of the two remaining Jewish families in all of Sudan. The other family lives outside of Khartoum and are relatives of this family, the Bersoni's.

I was really surprised to discover they are Jewish. I didn't think there were any Jews left in Sudan. Apparently, every one else left in the 1950's out of fear of what might happen to them. Mr. Bersoni assured us that they find no anti-semitic expressions and they feel very secure and comfortable. They have many friends and are influential in the life of the city.

When they discovered that Mark and I are both Jewish, they got very excited. At first we couldn't figure it out. You see, mom, they have a 16-year-old son and another two boys, cousins, who have never had a bar mitzvah because they could not form a minyan. There are eight men and now Mark and I would make up 10.

Alas, when I told them I had never had a bar mitzvah they were again disappointed because that left only nine. I felt terrible, as if I had let them down. So I said I would find a tenth, and I was determined I would. They said there was no way, they had been trying for three years.

The next day, back at the youth hostel, I got talking with an American fellow. Sure enough, as luck would have it, he turned out to be Jewish, and had a bar mitzvah. I explained the situation and he agreed to help.

Can you imagine the joy of the family when I brought back the 10th man! Amidst all of the excitement, Bersoni asked me if I would like to have my bar mitzvah. Naturally I accepted. How could I refuse such an opportunity that was so unexpected.

Great preparations were made. The padlocks were taken off the synagogue. It was cleaned out and the two torahs inside were dusted off. Word was sent to the relatives outside the city to come and bring the two cousins. Four of us were to have our bar mitzvah together.

Many consultations took place to see what the men could remember after so many years. The eldest of the family took charge and reached back into his memory for as much ritual as he could muster.

The day arrived and the two families, gathered, added to by me, Mark and the American boy. There were about 20 people all told in the synagogue, the total Jewish population in all of Sudan.

The synagogue was nothing like I had ever seen before. There were no seats and the women on one side and the men on the other. There was a central podium with a place to rest the torah and on one wall was a cabinet holding the two torahs. These were brought out.

We were lined up and the elder put on each of us, in turn, a leather strap attached to a box with Hebrew letters on it. There were two of them. One went around the head and other around the arm, seven times wrapped around and three time around the index finger, pulling it tight to the hand. If I remember, aren't these called tfillim?

The elder mumbled some prayers as he put them on and after that he put a tallis, the prayer shawl, around each of our shoulders and we stood while he read from the torah. I couldn't make out anything he said, naturally, since I don't understand the Hebrew, and anyway, he really sort of mumbled, digging deep in his memory to recall the words.

We carried the torahs around the hall, letting everyone kiss them. The women threw candies as we went. Then the elder spoke to us. The whole thing was like bits and pieces of these people's remembrance of what the actual ceremony is. All in all it took about half an hour. It certainly was nothing like other Bar Mitzvahs I've been to in North America.

It seemed to me there were three things that were important to the people in the synagogue: That there were 10 men, that we put on the tfillim and that we carried the torah. Everyone seemed satisfied. Later, when I talked with the 16-year-old son and asked him how he felt about it all, he said he was pleased because his parents had been relieved of a burden they carried for him: their obligation to see that he had a bar mitzvah. It had no religious meaning for him, nor did it have any for the other two cousins.

That evening there was a big party with many people and much food. The family seem to get along well in Khartoum since there were many government people, business men, the chief of the secret police who is a close friend, and other influential people. The Bersoni family are wealthy cattle dealers and have no intention of leaving, saying that everyone knows they are Jewish and they don't seem bothered about it.

Mom, you are probably wondering why I agreed to go through the ceremony since I still don't believe in it from a religious point of view.

One reason was because you always told me I am a Jew by birth and heritage and here I was, suddenly made aware of my Jewishness. Also I was in a situation where I was needed as a Jew and I couldn't help. Next time I am needed as a 10th man, I'll be available. Somehow, the whole thing just made sense and it seemed appropriate to have a bar mitzvah at this time. It fitted.

If I had a bar mitzvah when I was 13 at home it would not have had any real meaning for me. Now it does mean something. It has meaning for me because of the time and place where and when it all happened and because it served a purpose and it became part of sharing a meaningful experience.

So, mom, there is my amazing event. Here I am in Khartoum, in Sudan, in Africa, just having had a bar mitzvah at the age of 22. What an amazing thing to happen!

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Modern desert farming technology employed

TAU studies milk potential of goat

By ELISSA ALLERHAND

TEL AVIV —
The dessert black Bedouin goat is a potentially copious milk producer and can be developed through modern desert farming technology as a first-rate milk providing domestic animal, as well as a plentiful meat source of protein, at a fraction of the feeding costs of today's cattle, established a team of Tel Aviv University researchers, headed by Prof. Amiram Shkolnik.

In a 10-year research study undertaken by the Tel Aviv University team of zoologists of the George S. Wise Faculty of Life Sciences, and supported by the International Atomic Energy Agency and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the Tel Aviv University scientists have found that the black goat, common to Middle Eastern deserts, is capable of thriving efficiently on desert food of inferior nutritional quality and drinking water only once every four days, better utilizing food and drink than any other domestic animal.

Rated by the experts as a "superior dairy animal" producing milk at the level of the Holstein cow (per body weight), the largest milk producer in the world, the black goat offers the added advantage of being suited to desert farming and development of desert areas, and not requiring the expensive imported feed given to Holstein cows.

The black Bedouin goat's unique metabolism enables it to thrive on inexpensive wheat straw, too low in protein for other domestic animals, because it is capable of recycling residual nitrogen (the essential element of protein), which creates additional digestible protein within the goat's stomach. This capacity of recycling nitrogen for protein production is common to cud-chewing animals at a rate of re-cycling 40% of the residual nitrogen, but the black Bedouin goat is capable of recycling over 90% of its residual nitrogen, enabling it to produce copious amounts of milk, up to 10% of its body weight daily, even when its source of nutrition is limited and inferior, explains Tel Aviv University Prof. Amiram Shkolnik.

So flexible are black goats in food source, that the researchers occasionally found their research interrupted by the goats' munching on the research computer print-outs.

The black Bedouin goat can consume over 40% of its body weight in water, discovered the Tel Aviv University scientists, and, because it can wait for four days before drinking again, can graze extensive distances from water sources, enabling it to utilize vast grazing areas (about four times the area of other grazing ruminants). In ordinary mammals, water consumption at even 20% of the body weight would result in bursting red blood cells and endangering the animal's life, but the black goat stores water in its stomach, gradually and safely diluting the blood stream, and resulting in plentiful milk production.

Black Bedouin goats, now being studied by Tel Aviv University, could be a new source of milk and meat.

For use as a source of meat, the black Bedouin goat is distinctive in its high rate of twin births (44% of all births) and the rapid growth rate of its kids. The young goat doubles its birth weight in 15-17 days, compared to a period of 18-24 days for sheep used in meat production in Mediterranean countries, and gains 105-134 grams a day, compared to only 87 grams per day for other breeds of goats in the area.

With its favorable reproduction and growth rate and its potential to produce approximately 22 kilograms of meat per year per goat, the black Bedouin goat can serve as an important source of protein in protein-hungry desert areas.

Following the findings of the Tel Aviv University zoologists, Israeli scientists have begun examining and developing farming technology procedures necessary for raising black goats on a sophisticated agricultural level. The prospect of developing an additional source of milk and meat, providing new sources of protein utilizing desert areas and potentially serving protein-hungry desert populations, is a promising development. In any commercial framework to be developed, however, care must be exercised to maintain a safe distance between the revenues and the goats, to prevent them from eating up the profits.

Growing number of Israeli women say they are relegated to stereotyped jobs

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

REHOVOT —
Women are particularly hard hit by Israel's rising level of unemployment.

Since many of them have only entered the job market in recent years, they cannot but suffer to a disproportionate extent when dismissals are made, as usual, on the basis of "last in, first out."

At the moment, 35% of all Israeli women are gainfully employed, though great differences exist between one section of the population and another. For example, only 15% of women with an elementary school education or less work outside the home, as compared to 87% of university graduates.

These are official statistics and may not be completely accurate since many women with a limited education work as maids and don't show up on either the tax rolls or on government records. However, there is certainly a clear link between education on the one hand and paid employment on the other.

Yet even very well educated Israeli women tend to end up with "women's jobs," working in fields (teaching, nursing, etc.) which are really extensions of what they traditionally did within the framework of the home. And qualifications notwithstanding, women here seldom rise to managerial positions.

The situation is best, from a feminist viewpoint, in the natural sciences and medicine, where women hold 17.8% of such positions. This goes down to 5.3% in the hotel trade and municipal government, while in the engineering field, women do not hold any managerial positions.

Even when a woman is appointed to a position that gives her jurisdiction over male employees, the latter don't always take kindly to the idea. Thus some months ago when the Discount Bank appointed its first female branch manager, there was a virtual revolt among the men who had been passed over. Only the bank's firm refusal not to back down kept her in the job.

Male academics wouldn't be so crude in their objections to the advancement of female colleagues, though a leading (male) professor recently argued that there was an obvious connection between the fact that professorial salaries had declined in relation to the salaries of other professional people, and the fact that a growing number of professors were women.

El Al, Israel's national airlines, is one of the many places here where the high-paying positions are held mostly by men and the low-paying ones by women. Yet the commercial success of El Al depends no less on the women who work as stewardesses than it does on the men who serve as pilots.

These stewardesses have done a wonderful job of winning friends and influencing people in recent months, particularly after they and other El Al employees became convinced that newly installed Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz and the man he named to head El Al, Avraham (Buma) Shavit, were telling the truth when they said that the company would close down if it didn't improve its standards of service and reduce its losses.

A higher level of service has been achieved of late despite a reduction in personnel, with the number of stewardesses on a Boeing 707 being cut from six to five, and on a Boeing 745 Jumbo from 22 to 15. This change was accepted; another one, in the sartorial sphere, is being resisted.

Taking a leaf from the book of the Japanese Airlines (where stewardesses wear kimonos) and Air India (where they wear saris), the management of El Al has asked girls working in the first class section of El Al planes to wear newly designed national costumes, kaftans of a vaguely Middle Eastern character (which PLO spokesmen claim are really based on Arab designs pirated by El Al).

Aliza Tamir, who heads the working women's section of the Histardrut Labor Federation, has complained that these costumes are a thinly disguised attempt to turn the stewardesses into sex objects, while veteran stewardess Yona Zack has argued that the billowing sleeves of the kaftans make it hard for them to serve food and drinks.

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Members of Canadian Pioneer Women-Na'amat spent two weeks in Israel recently. Here labor leader Shimon Peres chats with Norma Barkin, Toronto vice-president [right], and Guella Javkin, chairperson of World Pioneer Women and Na'amat.

This greenhouse in Ayanot is part of an agricultural high school sponsored by Pioneer Women. Israeli agriculture is among the most productive in the world.

Pioneer Women attend two-week seminar meeting with people and not sightseeing

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO — Pioneer Women from Canada and Britain traveled recently to Israel for a two-week leadership seminar with members of Na'amat, the counterparts in that country. A series of visits and encounters produced "tremendous impact and a resolve for increased support of numerous needs within Israel," said Toronto vice-president Norman Barkin.

Proceeding from the Golan in the north to the Negev in the south, the delegates were able to absorb the many moods of the country.

"We spent our time with the people and the land; we did not sightsee," said Mrs. Barkin. "We were depressed, we were inspired. We saw everything, not just our own installations."

As guests of the World Zionist Organization as well as Na'amat, the women became aware of the Jewish National Fund's valuable contribution to Israel.

"Like many others, I always thought of JNF simply as the society that plants trees," notes Lorraine Levene, Pioneer Women's Toronto executive secretary. "But it is much more than that. It goes into new territories such as the Galil and makes them livable - levels the hills, puts in the roads, landscapes the terrain. I can't overemphasize its importance."

Na'amat hostesses insisted on home hospitality and arranged billeting with members and volunteers. Private homes were opened also during a stop at Moshav Kfar Yechezkel in the lower Galilee.

Traversing the country, the women met with young children, students, soldiers, statesmen, and specifically, other women.

A visit to an army camp enveloped in rain and fog occurred on the "best" day, according to Mrs. Barkin. "We stood in the mud and the damp with the soldiers, but we knew that our bus was waiting and we could go back. They couldn't."

They inspected day care centres sponsored by Pioneer Women, Na'amat's Ayanot agricultural High School, absorption centres for new immigrants, factories, kibbutzim, development towns. And they discovered that some of the new settlements, located on arid land, are industrial rather than agricultural outposts. One community creates artificial diamonds for the U.S. market, another manufactures plastic plumbing pipes.

At the Knesset they were received by Deputy Speaker Shoshana Arbeli-Almoslino, who is a Na'amat member. Na'amat is the female arm of Histadrut and functions as both a political presence and service organization. The majority of women representatives in the Knesset are drawn from its ranks.

They met with Shimon Peres, chairman of Israel's Labor Party at his headquarters in Tel Aviv.

At Status of Women seminars, they learned that in many areas Israeli women have made greater progress than Canadian women. Competent child care frees them for work or further education. Deserted wives receive financial assistance while the government pursues errant husbands and forces them to pay support.

Women, however, are the first to suffer as a new phenomenon, unemployment, hits Israel. Their jobs become expandable when inflation soars, Mrs. Barkin reported.

In the spirit of aliya, Norma Barkin declares: "My strongest feeling now is that every Jewish family should have someone settled in Israel. They need people there more than anything else. They need the bond."

OBITUARIES

Brandwein, Max, on Mar. 5/80, late of 12 Rockford Rd.
Davidson, Ida, on Mar. 9/80, late of 6200 Bathurst St.
Davis, Myrtle, on Mar. 7/80, late of 350 Lonsdale Rd.
Fischer, Michael, on Mar. 12, late of 360 Ridelle Ave.
Freedman, Betty, on Mar. 11/80, late of 4701 Bathurst St.
Gurian, Anne, on March 12/80, late of 260 Haddington Ave.
Karetnik, Chaia, on Mar. 10/80, late of Baycrest Terrace.
Korzen, Harry, on Mar. 9/80, late of 2 Forest Laneway.
Lapidus [Peters], Josephine, on Mar. 3/80, late of Los Angeles, California.
Neinstein, Mollie, on Mar. 9/80, late of 16 Carling Ave.
Sugar, Tena, on Mar. 7/80, late of 371 Northcliffe Blvd.
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NEW YORK —
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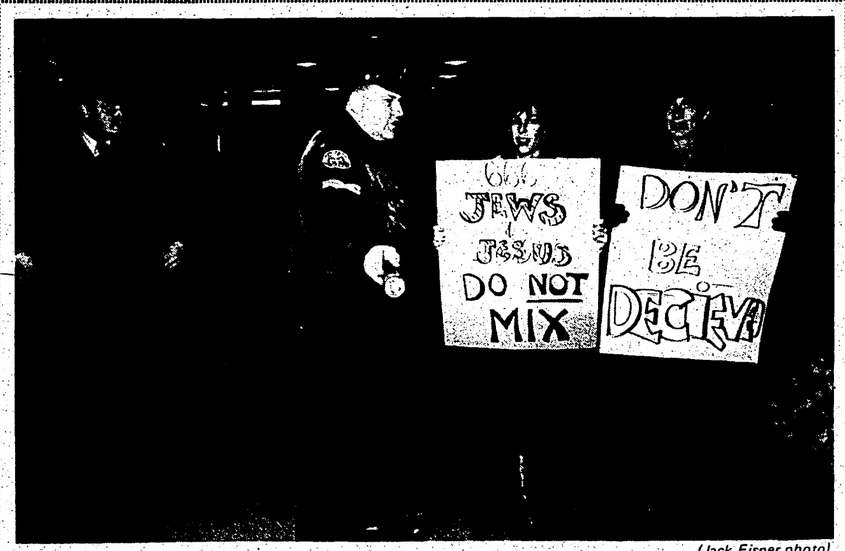
Waldman, who has been identified with social work in Israel and Canada, and Jewish fund-raising in the United States, succeeds Seymour Fishman.

In announcing the appointment, Bogen said Waldman "combines an intimate knowledge of life in Israel and its educational system with wide experience in fund-raising and community organization in the United States."

Waldman was raised and educated in Montreal where he attended McGill University. As a member of the Haganah (1948-49), he fought in Israel's War of Liberation and subsequently spent 10 years in a kibbutz he helped establish in the Negev. He was engaged there in promoting the adjustment and integration of new immigrants.

Leonard Waldman

Since his students days at McGill, Waldman has been active in Zionist and Jewish communal affairs. He began his career in social work in 1962 in Jerusalem, where he was director of the Jerusalem YMHA. Later he served in Canada as director of the Saidye Bronfman Cultural Centre of the Montreal YM-YWHA.



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PROTESTING THE MISSIONARIES

Over 250 Jewish demonstrators protested outside Northview Heights Secondary School last week over a concert staged by Congregation Melech Yisroel, a missionary group said to be part of a proselytizing movement affiliated with the Union of Messianic Jewish Congregations. The concert featured Kol Israel, whose advertising suggested it was putting on a Chassidic and Israeli folk festival.

Baal Shem Tov comes to life at Leah Posluns Theatre soon

TORONTO —
The Leah Posluns Theatre will play host to **Coming From A Great Distance,** which starts its run April 12 and continues to April 17.

It tells the story of a legendary Jewish figure, the Baal Shem Tov, the founder of Chassidism.

The play is presented by A Travelling Jewish Theatre of Los Angeles. Its creators, Corey Fischer and Albert Greenberg, bring the tale to stage life by using masks, puppets and what they call "the ancient conventions of the storyteller."

Coming From A Great Distance has been on tour in the U.S., and one reviewer from the Los Angeles Times wrote of it:

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Raye Horowitz

Rabbi Irwin Witty, director of the Board of Jewish Education, says he is enthused about the show and has encouraged attendance by Jewish day school students at the matinee performances. The matinees are on the Tuesday and Wednesday.

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Development funds for the production were provided through the Raye Horowitz Foundation. Raye Horowitz, born in the post-First World War era, was interested mainly in classical piano music. She was hailed as a great accompanist and also played the saxophone in the famous Kathleen Stokes Orchestra.

A Torontonian, Raye spent some 10 years in Hollywood as a legal executive with MGM and she joined with musicians of note and screen writers in many projects.

On her return to Canada she served as executive secretary to the chief librarian of Toronto Public Libraries up to the time of her passing in 1976.

Says a member of her family: "Raye loved theatre, music and people...It is right that the name of Raye Horowitz will be perpetuated through the arts in the Leah Posluns Theatre."

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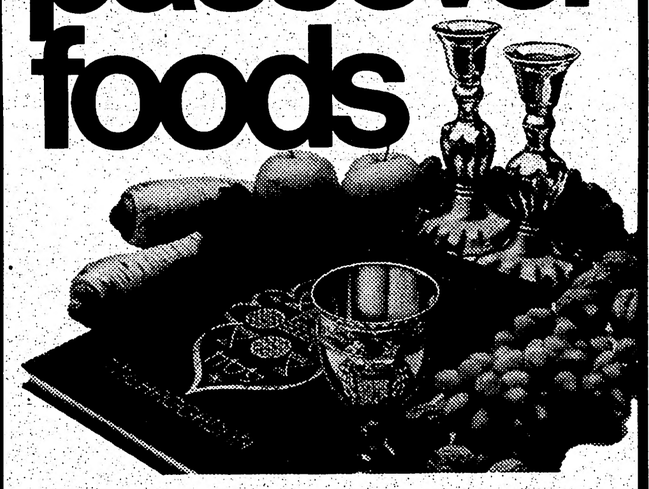

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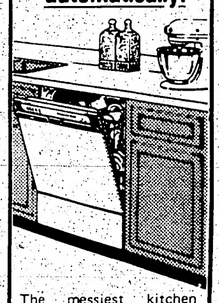

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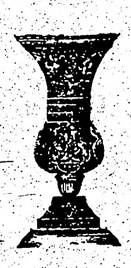

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Youth-to-Youth
AN OUTREACH PROGRAM THAT BREAKS NEW GROUND

Rabbi Alexander Linchner, Dean and Founder of Boys Town Jerusalem, has often said, "Like young people everywhere, the youth of Israel face tremendous problems; Boys Town offers solutions."

Part of that solution is a corps of two hundred and fifty senior students who have undergone hours of professional counselling and training. They leave in a small fleet of mini-buses and pick-up trucks and fan out into thirteen scattered problem areas in and around Jerusalem. Their mission - to spread some of their acquired knowledge and a lot of human warmth in the homes of disadvantaged children.

The voluntary program, NOLAD (rebirth), reaches new development towns and housing projects around the country, as well as economically deprived neighbourhoods in Jerusalem and area.

THE OBJECTIVES

Working with ten-to-twelve-year-old children --

- Tutoring them and upgrading their schoolwork;
- Explaining the synthesis of Torah studies and technology available at Boys Town should they qualify for admission;
- Establishing permanent NOLAD clubrooms in several neighbourhoods, offering a superior alternative to the streets.

FRIENDS OF BOYS TOWN GATHE FOR ISRAEL'S OUTSTANDING TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

Primary school pupils who are potential drop-outs because of slipping grades get help from Boys Town's senior students who combine the tutoring principles of "each-one-teach-one" and the friendship of Big Brothers.

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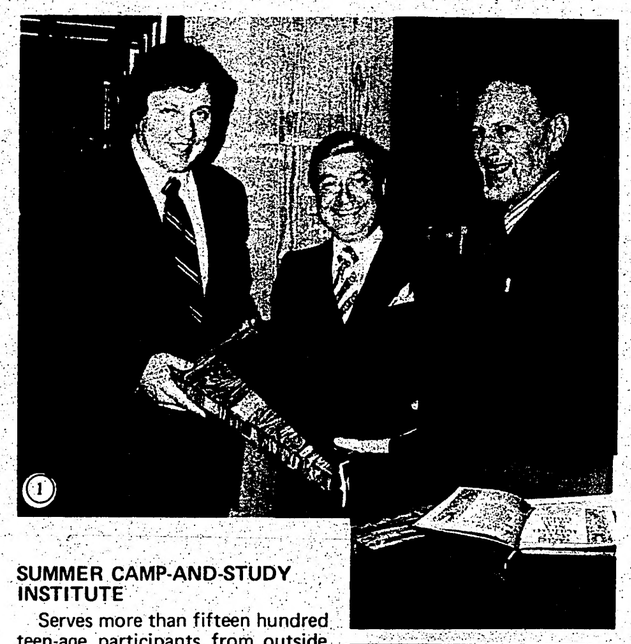

SUMMER CAMP-AND-STUDY INSTITUTE

Serves more than fifteen hundred teen-age participants from outside the school who are invited to attend during the two-month school vacation.

YOUNG TECHNICIANS DAY CAMP

More than two hundred boys, ages twelve and thirteen are active in a learning experience designed to encourage technical and scientific talents. Classes cover one month of the summer period.

HEAD START

In a thirty-day orientation course that integrates recreational, social, and religious activities, two hundred and fifty students who have been accepted for admission to Boys Town Jerusalem begin their studies. By the time the September semester opens, absorption in the regular curriculum is a natural process.

EXTENDED ACADEMIC YEAR

New study matter is constantly being added to the already demanding program. To help students cope, extra classes for both technical and academic subjects are available ten days earlier than the established schedule.

Not content with empty classrooms, Boys Town is operational twelve months each year.

Endowment of the "Youth-to--Youth" Program honouring Mr. McMurtry will help meet operating costs on a continuing basis and permit expansion of operations to meet the growing requests to participate in BTJ's off-campus programs.

1. In TORONTO, (L - R) Roy McMurtry, Eric
Metro Library Board.

2. and 3. In ISRAEL, Premier William Davis, F

4. In EDMONTON, (L - R) Joseph Sisco, Hon
National President of the Canadian Friends.

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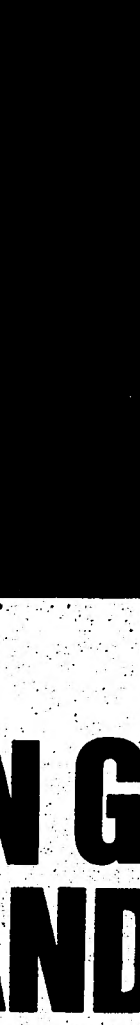


Across Canada, groups of unselfishly motivated people who recognize the importance of Boys Town have joined forces to assure that underprivileged boys with eager minds are given an equal opportunity to realize their fullest potential.

Since 1973, when only a handful of Canadians was aware of the school, more than three thousand visitors from the Maritimes to the Pacific have seen this impressive campus and have come away with the conviction that it is the finest comprehensive secondary school in Israel -- perhaps anywhere.

They were witness to an explosion in the construction program that was matched by the expansion and refinement of the curriculum. The computer centre serving all technical departments is also used for language instruction - and, linked to other schools in the Jerusalem area, allows hundreds of students outside Boys Town to benefit from this versatile teaching tool.

The addition of the Junior High School followed, then residence buildings, and a physical education complex that accommodates the needs of fourteen hundred active students.

We are justifiably proud that over the years Canadians have played a significant role in making this growth possible . . .

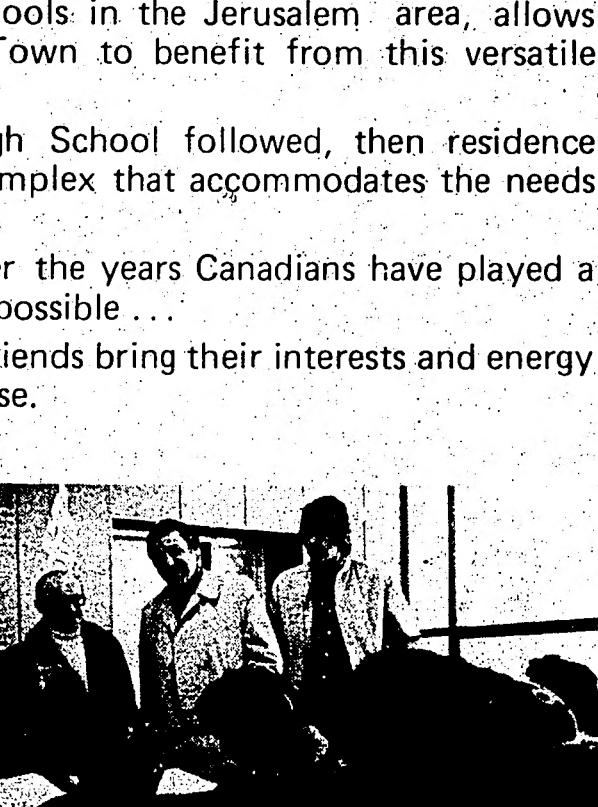
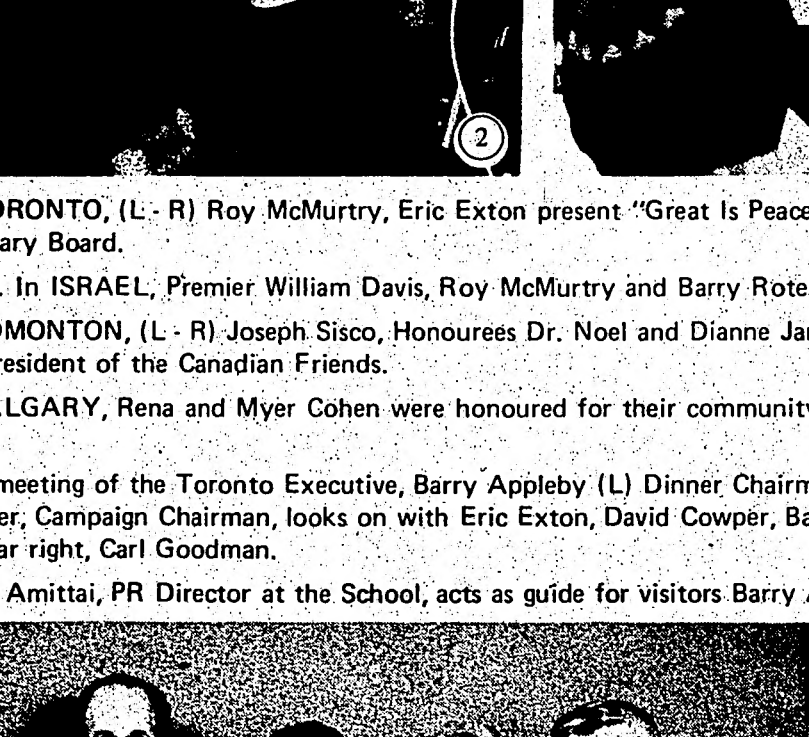
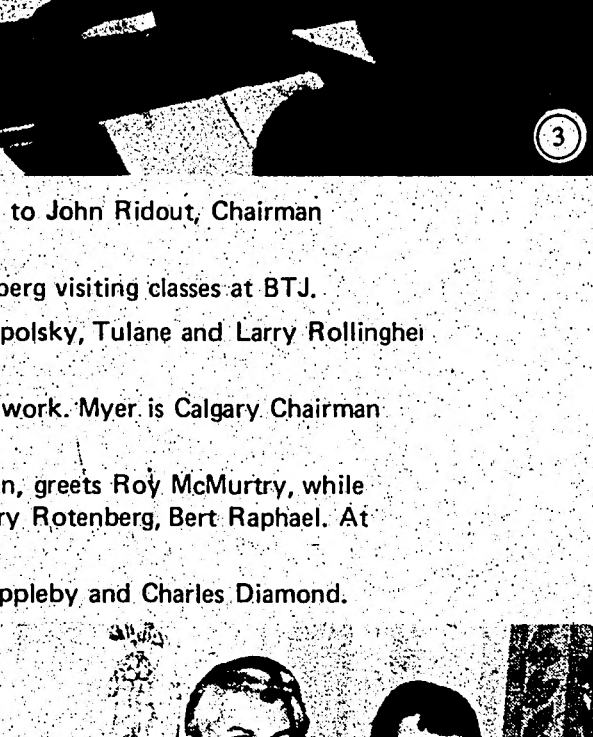
...and the work goes on, as new friends bring their interests and energy together in furthering this deserving cause.

RONTO, (L - R) Roy McMurtry, Eric Exton present "Great Is Peace" to John Ridout, Chairman ary Board.

. In ISRAEL, Premier William Davis, Roy McMurtry and Barry Rotenberg visiting classes at BTJ.

MONTON, (L - R) Joseph Sisco, Honourees Dr. Noel and Dianne Jampolsky, Tulane and Larry Rollinghei esident of the Canadian Friends.

LGARY, Rena and Myer Cohen were honoured for their community work. Myer is Calgary Chairman

meeting of the Toronto Executive, Barry Appleby (L) Dinner Chairman, greets Roy McMurtry, while er, Campaign Chairman, looks on with Eric Exton, David Cowper, Barry Rotenberg, Bert Raphael. At ar right, Carl Goodman.

Amittai, PR Director at the School, acts as guide for visitors Barry Appleby and Charles Diamond.